

XMAS, 1913!**SPECIAL NOTICE!**

We are now showing a large and varied assortment of Ladies' and Gent's

Gold and Silver Watches;

also Gold and Silver Jewellery in great variety.

Solid Silver and Electric Plated Table Ware.

Everyone is cordially invited to come and inspect our stock of goods. If you see anything that suits you we shall be pleased; if not, we shall not be displeased. Goods and prices to suit all at

Joseph Roper's

Water Street.

Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Bond and the Savings Bank

An interesting and somewhat dramatic incident occurred at the Newfoundland Savings Bank, yesterday afternoon. About 1.30 p.m. the Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Bond entered the building, where some half a dozen men were waiting to withdraw their deposits. Sir Robert went to the window and passed in a Bank Book to the teller. Naturally this action created some excitement, which was pleasantly emphasized when Sir Robert in a clear voice, easily heard by all in the Bank, made the following statement:

"This book," said he, "was sent to me by a depositor with the request that I draw out his money for him. I have no intention of doing so. Kindly add the interest to date, and I shall return the book to the owner and inform him that his money is absolutely safe in this Bank. I may say that I have had a number of letters recently from depositors, and I have replied to all to the same effect."

Daily News.

Here and There.

PERSONAL.—Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Bond was a passenger by yesterday's outgoing train.

TO LOAD HERRING.—The schr. Hiram Lowell reached Bonne Bay yesterday to load herring for an American port.

What about a Bracelet Watch as a Christmas Gift? Many attractive designs are showing at DULEY'S, at prices going from \$5.00 up.—dec17,21

LOCAL ARRIVES.—The local from Carbonear arrived in the city at 12.20 p.m. to-day, bringing about 70 passengers.

DURANGO AT LONDON.—The s.s. Durango arrived at London this morning, after a passage of 8 days. She leaves again for this port on the 27th inst.

Pearl Set Jewellery has a special charm for the Ladies as a Christmas Gift. For the best selection in town you must see what DULEY'S are showing.—dec17,21

ALLAN LINE.—The R.M.S. Carthagenian sails to-night for Philadelphia taking a small outward freight. The R.M.S. Numidian left Philadelphia at 9 a.m. on Sunday for this port.

Casino Theatre, Xmas Afternoon and night, Edward Sheldon's Great American Success, "THE SILENT HARRIER."

Tickets on sale at Atlantic Bookstore. Night—Reserved Seats, 50c. and 40c.; Gallery, 30c.; Pit, 20c. Afternoon, 30 and 20c. dec17,11

THE HOSPITAL.—Six patients were admitted to the hospital this morning. The cots are now all occupied, and seven patients are at present waiting for admission to the institution.

Methodist College Distribution of Prizes, etc., by His Excellency the Governor at 7.45 to-night. Programme of Chorus, Drills, etc. Reserved seats, 20 cents. General admission, 10 cents.—dec17,11

HAD ROUGH TRIP.—The schooner Little Pet, reached port to-day from Cadiz with a cargo of salt. The trip occupied fifty-four days. The vessel had a hard time of it coming on this coast and was badly buffeted by the strong head seas but came through without sustaining damage.

LINTROSE PASSENGERS.—The S.S. Lintrose arrived at Port aux Basques at 6.55 a.m. to-day with the following first class passengers:—H. W. Fowling, P. W. Fowling, Wm. French, Capt. T. Bonie, J. A. Grant, F. Adams, J. Walsh, M. Gillis, J. L. MacPherson, D. Meaney, B. Spavins, T. Barron, P. McDonald, R. Hubiey, C. M. Fuller, Miss J. Wilcox, and W. Morgan.

Give her for Christmas a box of Fuller's Chocolates or Candy, the most famous Confectionery in the world. Give him a box of Abdulla Cigarettes, the finest Cigarette that is made. Just received, Holly, Mistletoe, Ruscus, Statice, Wax Capes. BISHOP, SONS & CO., Grocery Dept. dec16,11

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hayes, of Harbour Grace, wish to extend to the officials, doctors and nurses of the General Hospital there very heartfelt thanks for the attention and many extra kindnesses shown their son, Michael, during a stay of over a year in the institution. He has the use of his leg which it was thought he would lose, and there is every indication of a perfect cure. All those who assisted in and guided this extraordinary cure deserve a great deal more than we can say in appreciation of their.—adv1,11

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SELLING OUT

Bargains in Crockeryware.

JOHN B. AYRE.**This Date in History.**

DECEMBER 17.

Days Past—350. To Come—14. JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER born 1897. America's Quaker poet was the son of a New England farmer, and for a time followed the trade of a shoemaker. Then after some experience in journalism he published his first book of poems "Legends of New England" (1931), which was warmly received both for the strong abolition sentiment it expressed and for its worth as poetry. His ideals were high, and he lived up to them.

Be good, sweet maid And let who will be clever. —Whittier.

Christmas Pantomime.

Jack Rossley, the favorite comedian, will appear as the Queen's Chamberlain in the Christmas Pantomime Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. You can rest assured that he will make fun for all. He has appeared in so many roles at different times and different theatres that we laugh as soon as we hear his voice. He is a natural born comedian, and has been in the show business ever since he was ten years old, but with all the laughs and fun he makes, he can become quite serious, and listen to anyone who is down on their luck, and is always amongst the first in any deserving charitable cause. May his season be a successful one is the wish of all.

Outwitted.

The night was cold, the cheerless sky. Was looking wan and wild; When on Water Street, I chanced to meet, A pale and brown-eyed child.

She hurried to my side and said, "Say mister, please give me A five-cent piece, oh do, Sir, please, And happy I shall be."

I said, "my pet, straight home I think, It is where you should go, Dear little soul, why should you stroll Thru this cold frost and snow."

"Have you no mother's cheerful smile, No father's kindly aid, Why do you roam? Have you no home? Come tell me, little maid."

She blushed, her cheeks were like the rose That were so pale, I ween, Her two brown eyes, like sunny skies, Were pleasant to be seen.

And then she said "my father, sir, And mother, both are sick, If you will give me five cents, To them I'll run home quick."

Not having any smaller change Than twenty cents, I placed This small amount to her account And told her to make haste.

I watched her form, but listen gentle, And makes me sad to say, She never brought home that twenty-cent, Went to Rossley's play, St. John's, Dec. 6th, 1913.

Prince Sided With Solidarity.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The hand of the German Crown Prince was at work in the recent crisis over the incidents between the military and civilian authorities in Alsace, according to Dr. Georges Weil, a Socialist deputy in the Imperial Parliament. Speaking in his constituency of Metz yesterday Dr. Weil said the Crown Prince stood strongly with the soldiery, and had visited the Imperial Chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, on December 3, the day on which the Chancellor made his unsatisfactory speech in Parliament which resulted in the passage of a vote of nonconfidence in the government.

Dr. Weil declared that the Chancellor had "referred on this occasion to the Emperor's anti-military orders were undoubtedly due to his desire to reconcile the wishes of the German ruler and his eldest son."

Lieutenant Baron von Forstner, of the 99th Infantry, the instigator of the trouble between the soldiers and the citizens of Zabern, told some friends to-day that he was as good as retired from the army.

Cape Report.

CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind east, light. Weather dull. A small schooner passed west at day-light followed by the S. S. Cape Breton at 10 a.m. to-day. Bar, 29.78, ther. 22.

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Some of our
BARGAIN SILVERWARE.
Greatly reduced in price to clear before stock-taking.

Your Opportunity
To brighten your friend's home this Christmas Tide.
Call at once.

Ayre & Sons,
Limited.
Upper Store.

The Crescent Picture Palace
Feature Film, the Sensational Mexican Drama,
With a Grain of Salt.

Four others—AN INNOCENT BRIDEGROOM (comedy); A NIGHT IN TOWN (showing the famous comedians, Pearl White and Chester Barnett, in a clever act); THE BURTHAIS ACROBATS in daring feats, and a roaring comedy, BILLY'S MISTAKEN OVERCOAT.

DAVID PARKS (Baritone) sings "I never heard of any girl dying from a kiss. Did you?" Afternoon, 2.30. Admission 5c. Evening, 7. Admission 10c.

HELPFUL HINTS

For Christmas Shoppers.
You'll find Gifts Your Gift is Your Silent Representative. Buy here and you know the quality is right.

FOR SISTER.	FOR FATHER.	FOR MOTHER.	FOR THE GIRL.
Some new bit of jewelry is sure to be welcome.	Personal jewelry, or perhaps, some useful piece for his desk.	Something of real worth and beauty must be hers.	A watch would please her, or a Necklace and Pendant.
Gold Birthstone Ring, \$1.00	Silver Match Box, \$2, \$4.50	Silver Flatware . . . \$1.25	Gem Set Ring \$1.00, \$5.00
Gold Bead Necklace, \$5.50, \$8.50	Cigar Cutter . . . \$2.50, \$6.00	Toilet Set . . . \$5.50, \$12.00	Sterling Silver Photo Frame . . . \$1.00, \$5.00
Earrings . . . 50c, \$4.00	Tie Holder . . . 60c, \$2.50	Ornaments . . . \$1.50, \$16.00	Blouse Set and Shoulder Strap Holders \$1.00, 6.00
Silver Hat Pins, 25c, \$1.50	Fountain Pen . . . \$2.50, \$8.00	Silver Mounted Vases, 50c, \$2.00	Lockets . . . \$2.50, \$15.00
Bracelet . . . \$1.75, \$17.50	Meerchaum Pipe, \$5.00, 8.00	Clock . . . \$2.00, \$32.00	Solid Gold Watch Bracelet . . . \$25.00, \$35.00
	Watch Chain \$5.00, \$8.00	Gold Brooch . . . \$2.00, \$14.00	Chateleine Pins \$1.75, 4.00
FOR BROTHER.	FOR A FRIEND.	THE BOY.	
Many things here that he would find useful.	Hat Pin Holders . . . \$1.50, \$3.00	He will let you know what he wants.	
A Good Watch . . . \$4.00, \$35.00	Pin Cushions . . . \$1.00, \$3.00	Signal Ring . . . \$4.00, \$14.00	
Stone Set Scarf Pin, \$1.00, \$15.00	Flower Holders . . . 50c, \$1.50	Military Brushes . . . \$2.50, \$12.00	
Cigarette Case . . . \$1.25 up	Manicure Set . . . \$1.00	Cuff Links . . . \$1.00, \$10.00	
Pouches . . . \$1.50, \$2.50	Jewel Case . . . \$9.00	Scarf Pin . . . \$1.00, \$15.00	
	Thimbles . . . 50c, \$1.00	Feb . . . \$2.00, \$8.50	

D. A. McRae,
WATCHMAKER and JEWELER.

Bribery.
It was Christmas season, but hardly seemed to account for the proprietor of the china shop giving the thin, red-faced girl, half-a-sovereign. Nevertheless, the girl didn't seem satisfied.

"Is that all? And during the past year ain't I rumpled down stairs four times with trays full of crockery, broken thirty-five tumblers, twenty-six tea cups, nine meat platters, four saucers, seventeen plates, and three of the mistress' best turkeys?"

"There, there!" said the shopman, soothingly. "Here's another five shillings for you. And don't forget me, you know," he ended, with a wink.

You simply can't have too much color in your handkerchief this season; greens, reds, lavenders, yellows, browns and blues are all in favor.

STINARD'S LINIMENT FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

EX "MORWENNA."
P. E. I. Fresh & Salted BEEF.
P. E. I. FRESH BUTTER.
P. E. I. PARSNIPS & CARROTS.
P. E. I. POTATOES.
JAMES P. KNIGHT
MINARD'S LINIMENT CURE BURNS, ETC.

MAGIC BAKING POWDER
E.W. GILLET COLTD
TORONTO, ONT.
WINNIPEG MONTREAL

Cable News

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—What is believed to be the highest private real estate deal on record was completed to-day by the purchase of the Duke of Bedford's black freehold property, covering nineteen acres in the vicinity of "The Garden" in the centre of London. The purchaser is Harry M. Deeley, M.P. for Middlesex, millions of pounds sterling change hands over the transaction, but the figure was withheld by the agent who vouchsafed the only information that the price exceeds by several million pounds any sum ever for a single property. Rumor speaking the estate stretches eastward from Kingsway to St. Martin's Lane, near Trafalgar Square, north and south from Long Acre, the Strand. It includes Drury Lane, Aldwych, Strand and Lyceum Theatres, several Hotels, Covent Garden Market, Bow Street Police Court, National Sporting Club, and a number of great printing establishments.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 16.—The Grand Vizier to-day replied to the Ambassadors of Britain, France and Russia, with respect to the many military mission which is to take up the reorganization of the Ottoman Army. The Ambassador demanded that the Grand Vizier in writing the precise details of the role to be assumed by the nation, now replied that the duties of the mission would be purely technical and declared that it would have authority over the forts of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 16.—Six men are reported dead to-day, one fatally injured, whilst a woman and two children are supposed to have perished in the flames which crossed the St. Louis Army Hotel here. The loss is about \$100,000. The fire filled with smoke and flames thickly occupied tenement blocks, the centre of which the Home was situated.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—David Blair, second officer in the Oceanic, is to be decorated by the King to-day. He performed a heroic action when on board the Majestic plunging overboard from the bridge to rescue a stoker in mid-Atlantic.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 16.—St. Ann's Church damaged by fire stalls destroyed, splendid organ seriously damaged. Entrance galls through the stained glass windows Suffragettes' usual placards.

COLON, Dec. 16.—The Polar exploring ship Fram sailed from here to-day for St. Francisco, by way of the Straits of Magellan.

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The sooner you com

TURKEYS, DUCKS, GESE

CHICKEN

To arrive about 18th inst.

Orders booking now.

MALAGA TABLE RAISINS—

Superior quality by the lb. and in crystal packages.

SULTANA RAISINS—

1 lb. packages.

SUPERIOR DATES—

1 lb. packages, 10c. & 12c. lb.

NUTS—Viz: Brazilian, Almond, Walnuts, etc.

STOCKINGS—3c. up.

BON BONS.

TURKEY FIGS—

15c. and 20c. box, 14c. lb.

SHELLED WALNUTS—35c. lb.

SHELLED ALMONDS.

C. P. I.

Duckworth St

Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDER, . . . Proprietor
W. F. LLOYD, Editor

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 17th, 1913.

Sir Robert Bond And The Savings Bank.

Elsewhere will be found a story taken from the Daily News about Sir Robert Bond and the Government Savings Bank. A depositor alarmed for the safety of his deposits there, sent Sir Robert his book, asking him to withdraw them. Sir Robert took the book to the Bank and asked that the interest be entered up with the intention of sending the book back with his assurance that the deposits are absolutely safe. Until we read the Daily News this morning we were not aware he had made the statement attributed to him, nor indeed any statement either private, public, or semi-public. The other features of the incident we knew, as we heard them from his own lips, when he called to see us, immediately after his visit to the Savings Bank. He told us also that he had received some thirty books with a similar request, and that he had returned them with the same assurance. This was the only course, Sir Robert could pursue honourably. These depositors were labouring under a mistaken idea. Any withdrawals through his agency would have spread the decision widely. The consequences might be terrible. Moreover he knew the money was absolutely safe. No one knows it better. He has had a longer and more intimate connection with the Government Savings Bank than probably any one else. He fought for the Savings Bank after the Crash of 1894, when the Government and the trade were seriously embarrassed and showed his confidence in the soundness of the institution, even at that time, by pledging his fortune as a sign of his faith. And at this time, when Leader of the Opposition, he comes forward to do what is right, because Right must prevail. He however in no way condones the action of a section of the Government Party in making the safety of the Savings Banks an election cry. That was a dastardly business, and if the Government Party alone bore the brunt of what has been taking place the past few weeks, one would not hesitate to say it serves them right. But after all, the main consideration must be given to the hardworking people who have been scraping up enough for a rainy day and who are anxious for the safety of their savings. A little thought given to the matter will convince these folks that their deposits are absolutely safe. At present the Savings Bank money is deposited in

three of the Canadian Banks doing business here, among them the Bank of Montreal, one of the strongest Banks in the world, and whose remarkable success in floating a recent loan under adverse market conditions we remarked yesterday. Government Savings Bank depositors have therefore the strength of these banks to rely on in addition to this they have the whole financial strength of Newfoundland. It is not possible for depositors to be more favourably situated as regards the safety of their deposits, than those who have placed their money in the Newfoundland Government Savings Bank.

Coastal Boats.

The Argyle is due at Placentia from the Miramichi route to-day.

The Bruce left Port aux Basques at 2.05 a.m. to-day.

The Clyde left Fogo at 4 p.m. yesterday, outward.

The Dundee left Valleyfield at 6.15 p.m. yesterday, outward.

The Ethie arrived at Carbonear at 3.30 p.m. yesterday.

The Fogata left Coachman's Cove at 1.45 p.m. yesterday, inward.

The Glenjee is due at Port aux Basques to-day.

The Home left Pilley's Island at 3.40 p.m. yesterday, outward.

The Lintrose arrived at Port aux Basques at 6.55 a.m. to-day.

The Meigle left Port au Choix at 1.45 p.m. yesterday, inward.

McMurdo's Store News.

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Many will be pleased to learn that several of the specialties lately advertised in the daily papers as a cure or relief for various troubles, are now to be had from us. Among them we notice Mercolized Wax, Croco, Delatone and Bismarck Magnesia, all of which are now on sale at our Water Street and Military Road Stores.

Among other new arrivals we have Dandelion, Piggy (10 and 25 cents sizes), Horlicks Malted (50c. and \$1 sizes), and Colgate's Ribbon Dental Cream.

You will find our stock of Christmas goods complete. Perfumes, Useful Presents, Chocolates, etc., and in great variety. Give us a call.

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