

LOCAL NEWS

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GREAT BARGAINS In mirrors, size 16x20, \$1.25 each, at 210 Union street.

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\$10.00 will buy a lady's gold filled wrist watch. Secure one while they last. Excellent value. Poyas & Co., 12 King square, near Imperial Theatre. 12-12

Photograph at \$3.00 dozen up. Sitings at night if you can't come in day time. Lugin, 38 Charlotte street.

NEW STYLE HATS AND CAPS. At the lowest prices in town at Mulhollands, 7 Waterloo street.

Latest records, double sides, 35c, each at St. John Picture Framing Store, Cor. Brasch and Esplanade streets, and 210 Union street; also best phonograph needles. 12-11

Save the coupons given with each purchase of cigars, cigarettes, tobaccos and pipes and get your Christmas presents free at Louis Green's, Charlotte street.

NOTICE The meeting of the Men's Association of St. Paul's church which was to be held this evening at the school house, is postponed indefinitely.

MILITARY GOODS. Soldiers will find out of the best stocks of Military Goods in the city at Mulhollands, 7 Waterloo street, at lower prices. Look for electric sign, Mulhollands. Open evenings. 12-12

We are making evening sittings for Christmas photos. Phone your appointments to The Condon Studio, 101 King street.

APPEAL FOR CLOTHING. Com. McLellan asks all ministers to make an appeal for their pupils on Sunday for clothing for Halifax sufferers, to be delivered at the old Y. M. C. A. building, Charlotte street.

SALE MACKINAW COATS AND SWEATERS. At Mulhollands, 7 Waterloo street; 10 p. c. discount on all lines for a few days only. Now come for a bargain. 12-12

UNION MADE OVERALLS AND GLOVES. Brotherhood. Headlight. Peabody's. Casharts. Bob Long. Overalls and Gloves. Mulhollands, No. 7 Waterloo street, near Union. Look for electric sign Mulhollands. 12-12

WE PROPOSE To keep on with our policy of pleasing our patrons. If you want to find perfect satisfaction with the goods you buy and the prices you pay, then it's up to you to come here. Corbets, Men's Furnishings, 104 Union street. 10-11

LAST DAY OF LITTLE REBECCA. Mary Pickford's Masterpiece at the Imperial Concludes This Evening.

Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm has been pleasing greatly for the past two days at the Imperial. Yesterday the crowd was as great as Wednesday. This evening "Rebecca" is to be the bill along with vaudeville. Also today will be the 8th chapter of "The Fighting Trail," the Vitagraph serial. Saturday, "The Hostage" and the serial and the new vaudeville—another change—will be the menu.

ARE YOU A BIG FELLOW? DO YOU WEAR A 40, 42 OR 44 OVER-COAT? IF SO, READ THIS:

We have a lot of odd overcoats. The sizes are 40, 42 and 44 only. The styles are mostly double-breasted storm collar (the popular coat). They are good value, just the same high quality and assortment are the reasons for reducing the price. Needless to say these coats will go tomorrow at the following prices, so come early: Seven regular \$12.50 overcoats, sale price \$8.00. Nine regular \$15.00 overcoats, sale price \$9.50. Eleven regular \$15.00 overcoats, sale price \$10.00. Fourteen regular \$18.00 overcoats, sale price \$12.50.

See our ad on page 14 of this issue for additional Saturday bargains. HUNT'S, 17-19 Charlotte street.

SUGGESTIONS FOR AID. Capt. Potter suggested to the Times this morning that this would be a good time to forget about expensive Christmas gifts and use the money in buying things for the stricken children and families of Halifax.

Rev. W. R. Robinson says that the Ludlow street Baptist church will have no Christmas entertainment or entertainments of any other sort except for benevolent purposes, and Halifax should be the first consideration with us all.

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

BIRTHS CURREN—To Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Curran, 177 Princess street, on Dec. 7, a daughter.

DAWES—To Mr. and Mrs. George E. Dawes, 284 Lancaster avenue, a daughter, May Isabella.

DEATHS JAMES—In this city on the morning of the 7th inst., after a short illness, Laura M., widow of Robert James, aged sixty-nine years, leaving two sons, three daughters, three brothers and one sister to mourn.

Funeral Sunday from the residence of her son-in-law, C. L. Wood, 297 Rockland Road; service at 2.30 o'clock.

IN MEMORIAM FELTHAM—In loving memory of Elizabeth J. Feltham, who departed this life Dec. 7, 1916.

FAMILY.

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LORNE A. MERSEREAU HAS BEEN WOUNDED

John W. Mersereau, manager of the Robin Hood Mills, Limited, has received word that his brother, Lorne A. Mersereau, of Fredericton Junction, has been wounded on November 6. When Lorne Mersereau was first hit the name appeared that his brother, Lorne A. Mersereau, Fredericton, wounded in the shoulder. Now comes the more definite word from the chaplain of the hospital where he is at present. The chaplain writes that Pte. Mersereau was improving, but still suffering from the effects of his wound. Pte. Mersereau went overseas with the 118th and was later transferred into another New Brunswick regiment.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers in real estate have been recorded as follows:—

St. John County. M. Bouillon to J. W. Porter, property in St. John river.

S. H. Ewing et al to W. M. Beattie, property in Lunenburg.

S. H. Ewing et al to Robert Stackhouse, property in Lunenburg.

J. S. Gray to Sabia E., wife of G. W. Gray, property in Main street.

Trustee Trust Company Limited to S. H. Ewing et al to W. M. Beattie, property in Lunenburg.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head. Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVES' signature is on Box. 30c.

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IS SAFE. Mrs. Michael Kelley of Clarence street, whose son, John E. Kelley, is a wireless operator on a steamer just out of Halifax, is safe. Word to this effect was received in the city this morning.

ST. JOHN MAN'S ESCAPE. Duncan Gray of St. John returned home today from Halifax. He was in a water front shed when the explosion occurred. He escaped injury.

REPORTED MISSING. Frank and J. Bert Hills, reported missing in the Halifax disaster in this morning's Telegraph, are cousins of George Palmer, of Duke street, West, and he immediately wired Halifax for particulars. As yet none have been received.

GOOD NEWS OF NURSE. Many friends of Miss Jean D. Morris, niece of Mrs. John McIntosh of West St. John, will be pleased to learn that she has successfully passed the nursing examination for the staff of New Hampshire, which took place at Concord, October 10 and 11. Miss Morris graduated from the Sacred Heart Hospital at the beginning of the year.

K. OF C. PROPERTY CO. At the annual meeting of the Knights of Columbus Property Company, Ltd., last evening the following were elected directors: Dr. W. P. Broderick, J. B. Daly, T. Collins, H. O'Brien, H. Regan, J. Crowley, J. L. Mulloy, W. J. Mahoney, A. A. Chaisson and J. A. Quinn. Mr. Daly was chosen president, T. Collins vice-president and H. Regan secretary-treasurer.

MRS. LAURA M. JAMES. Many will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Laura M. James, widow of Robert James, which occurred early this morning at the residence of her son-in-law, Charles L. Wood, 297 Rockland road. She leaves two sons, Fred, of Galloway, Mass., and Waldo, of Keller, California; and three daughters, Mrs. S. R. Rockford, Mrs. H. D. Lamson, of the United States, and Mrs. Charles L. Woods, of this city. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon.

ST. JOHN CITIZENS IN SESSION TO HELP LATER.

The response to the call far exceeded what was ever dreamed of. At the High School several large tables in the assembly hall are piled high with articles. At Albert school more than 500 parcels had been received fifteen minutes before school went in. Alexandra school reports that three slovens loads will scarcely transport their contribution and other schools in the city have given accordingly. At noon hour the streets were full of children returning to school with parcels and wearing apparatus. Mr. Golding has arranged to convey all the articles to St. Andrew's rink to be made ready. A still later estimate by Mr. Golding says 10,000 articles.

This morning Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, Dr. J. H. Allingham, Captain Macanally, Captain Dunlop, M. D., and six nurses, the Misses Howe, Fulltope, Young, Day, Gleason, and Blanch left for Halifax to assist in the work. They took with them a large quantity of bandages and other surgical equipment.

BROTHER-IN-LAW OF E. P. O'TOOLE KILLED

Mrs. Edward P. O'Toole, of 189 King street, today received a telegram from her husband, who left with the citizens committee last night for Halifax, that his brother-in-law, Vincent Coleman, had been killed and his sister, Mrs. Coleman, injured in the explosion. Another sister, Miss Aileen O'Toole, is safe and wired to Mrs. O'Toole this morning that the body of Mr. Coleman had not yet been discovered.

CLEANERS, ETC.

2 pkgs. Babbitt's Cleanser... 9c. 2 pkgs. Old Dutch... 17c. 1776 Washing Powder... 21c. 25c. tin Smoky City Cleanser... 21c. 25c. tin Chloride of Lime... 21c. 35c. tin Sani-Flush... 29c. 5 cakes Sunlight Soap... 29c. 5 cakes Sunny Monday Soap... 29c. 5 cakes Gold Soap... 30c.

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The genuine old reliable Hood's Sarsaparilla corrects the condition of the blood and builds up the whole system. It drives out rheumatism because it changes the blood.

It has been successfully used for forty years in many thousands of cases the world over.

There is no better remedy for skin and blood diseases, for loss of appetite, rheumatism, stomach and kidney troubles, general debility and all ills arising from impure, impoverished, dehydrated blood.

It is unnecessary to suffer. Start treatment at once. Get a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla from your nearest druggist. You will be pleased with the results.

DEAD OF WOUNDS

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Milton of 20 Harding street received a telegram from Ottawa this morning notifying them that their son, Pte. William H. Milton, had died of wounds on Dec. 4. He went overseas with the 140th battalion, but was transferred into another unit in France.

HOME ON LEAVE. Gunner Harold Finnigan, of the Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery, who has been on duty for two years at St. Lucia, British West Indies, arrived in the city yesterday. Gunner Finnigan is a nephew of Mrs. Thomas Shannon, 383 Chesley street. He will have to report to the military authorities at Halifax before he can enjoy his leave.

That the C. F. R. telegraph operators and office staff in Halifax deserve no end of praise was the statement of W. S. Emery, head of the local department of the C. F. R. He said that after the terrible explosion nearly all of the staff in Halifax were injured and despite this they went to work heroically and endeavored to repair wires, etc., so that a service could be established.

He emphasized the fact that people in this city who have relatives in Halifax should not be unduly anxious if they do not get word about them today or even tomorrow. He explained that conditions there were in such a state that it was impossible to get all messages delivered promptly. It was impossible to locate some people as they were before the disaster.

Six operators left St. John yesterday so soon as the seriousness of the situation was known and a staff of others was due to arrive in Halifax today from Montreal. Everything possible was being done to accommodate the public and get messages through in the least possible delay.

The staff of the Western Union has been rushed off of its feet in the last twenty-four hours answering and receiving messages from all parts of Canada and the States regarding the condition of the rescuers.

Halifax will thus be short of operators until the train arrives there tonight or tomorrow morning. Special permission was received from Ottawa to allow the men over the border temporarily.

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HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

Forged to Give Ground to the Germans at One Point—Heavy Enemy Losses

Rome, Dec. 6.—The text of today's official statement follows:—

"On the Asiago Plateau beginning at dawn yesterday the battle was renewed with violence. The enemy, profiting by the advantages gained the previous day between Monte Fondarac and Monte Badeneche, brought the action up to its fullest extent in order to carry from the rear the formidable bastion of Monte Castelgomberto-Neletta Di Gallo, which effort he had to give up and attack frontally.

"The fighting continued fiercely the whole day from the slopes south of Monte Castelgomberto to the Foga spur. The ponderous effort of the enemy, carried out with crushing numerical preponderance met with stubborn resistance and numerous counter-attacks by our troops, which were defending the Meletta strong point, ground being yielded to the enemy only when the rear line defence was being garrisoned by our men was the order given to withdraw to that line.

"On Monte Fior and Monte Castelgomberto some Anzini troops which had remained isolated, preferred to the eventualities of retreat in retirement the glorious sacrifice and a heroic defence to the bitter end.

"A powerful enemy attempt to carry our lines of defence in the Upper Brenta valley was repulsed with heavy losses."

BUSY DAYS FOR THE TELEGRAPH COMPANIES

Buy dolls at Hoyt Bros. Advanced class Saturday and Tuesday. 12-10.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL Regular meeting Friday evening, Dec. 7. Full attendance delegates requested; important business. 12-8.

WOOD For sale—Dry kindling wood. Telephone M. 2926-21. 69900-12-18.

A beautifully designed corset gives grace to the figure of the wearer and a poor one does not. Have your corsets properly fitted. Corset Dept. Daniel, Head of King street.

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Begin today to buy your daily necessities and your Xmas shopping at our Monster Retreating Price Sale, Bassen's, 14-16-18 Charlotte street. No branches.

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None to Soon to Buy That Xmas Gift

A Limited Number of These Smokers' Stands

28 inches high, finished mahogany, and fitted with removable heavy glass tray. Sells regularly at \$2.75.

Xmas Special \$1.59

The Christmas season is here again, and you will no doubt be looking for appropriate gifts for members of your family and friends.

There are very few things just as good as furniture for Xmas gifts. This year we are well stocked with all the useful and pretty pieces that are inexpensive and yet are very much appreciated.

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