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LOCAL NEWS
PRESENTATION
The members of No. 1 Hose Company recently made Donald Allen, their assistant foreman, the recipient of a signet ring. Mr. Allen is retiring from the fire department.

THE FISHERY SALE
At a meeting of the Fisheries Committee in city hall this morning, Commissioner Russell was authorized to secure an auctioneer to sell the fishing lots in the harbor.

AWAY TO TORONTO.
Corp. W. P. Phillips and Arthur H. Phillips left for Toronto on Saturday to spend New Year's with their sister, Mrs. R. P. Sweetman.

FIRE IN A. W. ADAMS HOME
A slight fire broke out this morning in the home of Arthur W. Adams, 22 Mecklenburg street. An alarm was sent in from Box 32 and on the arrival of the fire the fire was soon extinguished. The origin of the fire is not known, but Mr. Adams is of the opinion that it was caused by hot ashes falling on the floor. The damage is estimated at between three and four hundred dollars.

MRS. HUGH S. GREGORY
The death of Mrs. Ellen Gregory, widow of Hugh S. Gregory, took place at eight o'clock this morning at her home, 170 Canterbury street, after a short illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Gregory was seventy-six years of age and leaves one daughter, Miss Alma at home and five sons, Norman N. Alexander, Hugh Roy and Willard B., all of this city and H. W. Gregory of British Columbia. The funeral will be from her late residence on Wednesday afternoon to Trinity church with service at 2.30.

DEATH OF THOMAS W. BREEN
The death of Thomas W. Breen occurred early this morning at his residence, 84 Moore street, at the age of eighty-four years. In his younger days, when shipbuilding was active, Mr. Breen was a boss shipjoiner, and he was always a fine type of citizen. In more recent years he was in the employ of T. McAvity & Sons. He was an active member of Portland Methodist church. Besides his wife, he leaves three sons—James I. of Buffalo, N. Y.; Thomas D. of Roxbury, Mass.; and Herbert P., of this city. The funeral will take place from his late residence tomorrow afternoon, with service at half-past two o'clock.

MRS. SAMUEL HAINES
The death of Mrs. Samuel Haines of St. Mary's, N. B., occurred yesterday afternoon at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Arthur, Acamae Station, after a short illness. Mrs. Haines was ninety-two years old and leaves four sons, Churchill of Bridgetown, Maine; Charles E., of Milo, Maine; I. S. Haines of Portland, and Samuel of Boston, and three daughters, Mrs. J. Fleming of St. Mary's, Mrs. Joseph Arthur of Acamae, and Mrs. Gilbert Pringle of Peterboro, Ontario. The funeral service took place this afternoon at her late residence. Services were conducted by Rev. Walter P. Dunham. The body will be taken tonight to St. Mary's, where interment will be made tomorrow.

SEVEN ARE KILLED AND MANY HURT IN HEAD-ON COLLISION
North Vernon, Ind., Dec. 30.—Seven are known to be dead and about twenty injured as the result of a head-on collision between a westbound and an eastbound Baltimore & Ohio train, a mile east of here last night. All the dead were members of the crew. The cause of the wreck is reported to have been the failure of the automatic block system to work.

FRANCE HOLDS HER BATTLE LINE FIRMLY
She Has Reserves Ready and Looks to Future With Utmost Confidence
Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Germany is endeavoring to gain a decisive victory in the world war before the United States armies enter it, but France still is firmly holding her battle line and has reserves to fill any gaps, according to Edouard De Billy, deputy French high commissioner in the United States. A statement from M. De Billy was received at the convention of the American Historical Association in this city. The commissioner unambiguously was absent.
"Though our losses have been unavoidably great," M. De Billy said, "the French army is still holding now more than two-thirds of the French front and she is keeping in the rear reserves to fill all the gaps. France is looking forward to the future with utmost confidence."

THE RAILWAYS' TROUBLES
At Some Places Along the C. P. R. 60 Below Zero
Montreal, Dec. 31.—A railway official states: "The traveling public who may have to put up with some little inconvenience in connection with train delays should remember that the weather now being experienced is the worst and coldest recorded for any December within the last sixteen years. There were 2,000 miles, for instance, on the Canadian Pacific system where the thermometer registered 80 degrees below or more and at some places it was as low as 60 degrees. The engineers and trainmen who work under such conditions are little short of heroes. The additional cost of coal under such conditions amounts to many thousands of dollars and the burden placed upon the railways cannot be minimized."

SERBS FROM STATES TO FIGHT FOR HOMETLAND.
Chicago, Dec. 31.—One thousand Serbs left Chicago yesterday for the east on their way to Europe to help re-take their native homes from the Austrians and Bulgarians.

POWERFUL PREACHER, DOMINICAN, OPENS RETREAT FOR MEN
Great Numbers in Cathedral at Opening Exercises and at Masses This Morning
A four day retreat was most successfully begun in the Cathedral last evening for the men of the city under the auspices of the Young Men's Catholic Institute by Rev. J. H. Healy, an eminent Dominican from New York. Since the erection of the Cathedral, this is the first occasion on which a Dominican priest has occupied the pulpit.
Previous to the retreat exercises, Father Healy gave the history of the Rosary. Following this, Father Healy delivered his first sermon of the retreat, dealing with the various states of life to which men are called.
This preacher is a powerful orator, eloquent and direct, with marked strength of expression and command of language and great ability to sway his hearers. He made a deep impression at the exercises last evening and at the Sunday masses, at all of which he spoke.
Again this morning at half-past five and seven o'clock Father Healy preached at retreat masses. On all occasions, despite the very cold weather, there were great gatherings of men. This morning Father Healy spoke on confession. On concluding the retreat here on Thursday, he will leave for Florida, where he is to preach on next Sunday.

TWENTY EIGHT CHINESE FREED ON DEPOSIT
Raid Last Night on Premises At 126 Mill Street
On a deposit of \$1,000, \$200 of which was in bond, twenty-eight Chinese captured in a raid last night were allowed to go. They were brought before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning, and although no evidence was heard, nor pleadings taken, they were allowed out on the deposit and the trial was set for Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock. Edmund S. Ritchie is appearing for the defense.
In response to a complaint made by a Chinese, who said he had been fleeced there, Detective Duncan, Briggs and Biddiscombe raided No. 126 Mill street last night, accompanied by Sergeant-Scott and Sullivan, and, after some difficulty gained admittance. They found gambling material and twenty-eight persons were arrested and the paraphernalia brought to the police station. This is the third time that the premises at 126 Mill street have been raided.
Two men charged with drunkenness forfeited their deposits by not appearing at the police court this morning.

FAIRVILLE WORK FOR THE HALIFAX PEOPLE
A meeting of the Halifax relief committee of Fairville was held yesterday afternoon, the chairman, Joseph L. O'Brien, presiding.
Miss Mary O'Brien reported that proceeds from a pantry and fancy goods sale in connection with an entertainment held in Gaiety Theatre before Christmas, amounted to \$40.50, while the sale of tickets to the concert realized \$39.25.
T. J. O'Rourke, who generously donated the use of his theatre, had charge of the programmes and reported a revenue of \$25 from this source.
A bill of \$36.48 for flannel, made up and sent to the Halifax sufferers, was ordered paid. This will be attended to at once by the treasurer, Rev. P. R. Hayward, and it was decided that the balance should be donated toward the fund for relieving the blind sufferers in the great catastrophe.
It was said at the meeting that financial contributions were coming in very well and three outside sections were yet to hear from Peckard Campbell of Fairville held a birthday party recently and the guests instead of bringing presents were asked to contribute toward the Halifax fund. The tidy sum of \$11.40 was realized and turned over to Miss O'Brien, who placed it in the care of the treasurer.
A resolution of appreciation for the generosity and kindness of Mr. O'Rourke was warmly passed by the meeting. Mr. O'Rourke responded briefly and as usual gave to others most of the credit he deserved himself.
The secretary was instructed to write all those who took part in the programme expressing thanks of the committee.

MILITARY MEDAL WON BY ANOTHER ST. JOHN SOLDIER
Friends of Pte. Murray Hatheway of this city will be pleased to know that his mother has received a military medal, which was awarded to him at the Vimy Ridge fight.
Private Hatheway left here with the 118th Battalion in July 1916, and in October of that year was drafted into another battalion with which unit he has been serving as a signaller for the last fourteen months.

NO TIMES TOMORROW
The Evening Times will not be published tomorrow, New Year's Day.
OTTAWA CASUALTY LIST.
Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Casualties:
I. INFANTRY.
II. Thomas Riggs, Charlottetown, P.E.I. ARTILLERY.
III. D. W. Buchanan, Neil's Harbor, N. S. MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Died of Wounds.
W. M. Mader, Halifax.
Death of George Castle.
Chicago, Dec. 31.—George Castle, once partner of the late Charles E. Kohl, and one of the most widely known theatrical men in the country, died on Saturday night at Miami, Florida. He was sixty-seven years old.

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