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CARLETON PRESENTATIONS.

Yesterday afternoon the members of the infant class of the Carleton Baptist Sunday school presented Miss M. E. Mullin, who has kindly assisted in teaching them for some time, with a handsome silk umbrella.

PICKPOCKETS AT WORK.

The attention of the police is called to the fact that for the past week a number of sneak thieves have haunted the principal stores on King and Charlotte streets, and have succeeded in securing pocket books and sums of money from several ladies.

F.R. PATTERSON Cor. Charlotte and Duke Streets. CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS 40c. DOZ. STORE OPEN EVENINGS

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Forecast—Strong winds and gales, shifting to the westerly. Tuesday, strong winds, clearing and becoming much colder.

LOCAL NEWS.

Victoria Rink opens tomorrow night. Chambers Lodge, A. O. U. W., meets this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Montreal and Boston trains were each an hour late today.

Tonight! Games, ping-pong, etc., stationery and baskets half price. Morrill & Sutherland.

The Harris festival chorus will not meet for practice this week. The first rehearsal after Christmas will be held on Monday evening next.

The Queen Insurance Co., Jarvis & Whittaker, general agents at St. John, has issued a handsome calendar for 1903.

The men of the fire department were busy this morning changing the different pieces of apparatus back to wheels. Runners were in use while the snow lasted.

The reason Arnold's Department Store, 15 Charlotte street, is so busy is simply because people with sense and energy know where values are to be found.

On Saturday night on King street a Toy Terrier was lost. Anyone found harboring same will be prosecuted. The finder will confer a favor by returning to 224 Prince Wm. street.

The retail stores of W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd., will be open till ten o'clock on Saturday, the 20th; Monday, the 22nd, and Tuesday the 23rd, and till eleven o'clock Wednesday, the 24th inst.

The young men's Baraca class of Leinster street church will not hold their usual weekly entertainment this week, but will resume them after the holidays.

D. McArthur has opened up a big showroom up stairs for Christmas goods, and has added to his stock over \$1,000 worth of samples in dolls and fancy goods, which are offered at half the regular price.

No regular meeting of the Methodist ministers was held this morning. A number of the clergymen met and informally discussed general matters of interest to the denomination and adjourned till next week.

The Sunday school of the Tabernacle Baptist church is to hold a Christmas entertainment on Friday evening in the old Tabernacle church, 396 Haymarket Square.

Miss Elizabeth Carmichael died last night at her residence, 239 Brunswick street. She was a native of English Settlement, Kings county, and her body will be taken there for interment on Wednesday. Service will be held at her residence Tuesday evening.

A FIFTY MILE GALE. Wind and Rain Make a Bleak Beginning For Christmas Week.

With a howling fifty-mile-an-hour gale and the thermometer twenty degrees above the freezing point it doesn't look very cheerful for the Christmas of 1902.

The business men have had a profitable time during the past couple of weeks of winter weather and were hoping for a continuance which would probably have made this a record Christmas for St. John.

But this knocks it on the head for only two days more and no matter what the weather man does now he can't give us good weather these days and have anything but a green Christmas.

The storm which is worrying the shipping people and breaking the hearts of the business men began shortly before midnight last night.

At ten p. m. the wind was blowing at the rate of twenty-seven miles an hour. By four a. m. it had increased to thirty miles an hour and was carrying sheets of rain.

At six a. m. the anemometer buzzed at a forty-one mile clip; at nine it said forty-two, at ten forty-six and before noon it was a fifty mile gale that shrieked through the city and blew the helpless people about mercilessly.

In spite of the force no damage of any consequence has yet been recorded. The steamer Prince Rupert did not sail this morning on account of the storm and will make an extra trip tomorrow.

If it is your idea to give a Christmas present of ladies' kid gloves buy the best. Get a glove that you are sure will get make you feel cheap when you find out the person to whom you gave has had the glove split open the first time they tried them on.

Fewny's kid gloves are on sale at F. A. Dykeman & Co's and every pair is guaranteed, from 70c. per pair up.

Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE. Will Meet at Picquet to Discuss the Boy Problem—Local Leaders Going.

Secretary S. B. Wilson, of the Y. M. C. A. here and possibly B. S. Robb, of the Boy's work committee and others will leave the last of the week to attend at Picquet on Monday next a conference of the officers, chairmen of committees, leaders and all interested in boys' work in the maritime provinces.

The object of the conference is largely for study purposes. The work will be reviewed and plans suggested, after study, for more effectively doing work for boys, which at this time is of such great significance. The conference will last from Monday to Wednesday.

MAIL BOAT IN.

Parisian Dooked This Morning --London City Also In Port.

Hart's River Hero a Passenger On The Parisian—A Big Christmas Mail—Winter Port News.

The Allan liner Parisian, which left Liverpool Dec. 13, and Halifax at 7.30 Saturday evening, arrived off Partridge Island last evening. She lay there all night and came up the harbor and docked at Sand Point at nine o'clock this morning.

Capt. Brae reports a very stormy trip, with heavy head wind and sea throughout the entire voyage. Notwithstanding the roughness, the steamer came through without damage. The daily runs, after leaving Moville, were 214, 215, 300, 301, 253, 300, 318—total miles covered, 2,372.

Most of the passengers and about 300 tons of cargo were discharged at Halifax. Six first-class passengers, sixteen second-cabin and twenty steerage came around to St. John.

Among those who left at Halifax was Trooper J. W. Millon, of 2nd C. M. R., whose home is Dindham Centre, Ontario. He served with Bruce Carruthers and was through the famous Hart's River engagement, in which he received no less than four bullet wounds—one through the right ankle, one through the left cheek another in the left wrist and a fourth in the hip.

He was in hospital in South Africa, for some time and was then sent to England and went into Netley Hospital.

The English mail, which was landed by the Parisian at Halifax reached St. John by special train at 5.30 yesterday afternoon. It was an exceptionally heavy one, including eleven parcel post baskets and an enormous lot of letters.

Most of the Parisian's cargo is for the west, and consists largely of goods for the Christmas season. She carried a large quantity of oranges.

The stmr London City, Captain Patterson, which put back to Halifax last week to have her pumps repaired, arrived today and docked at the Pettin-gill wharf.

The s. s. Bavarian due the 1st of next month, is bringing about 600 immigrants, most of whom will be landed at Halifax.

A steamer is lying outside the island which is supposed to be the Elder Dempster stmr. Montclair, which is due.

The Allan liner Pretorian sailed Saturday afternoon for Liverpool via Halifax. She had a full general cargo and a large number of passengers.

The Allan liner Parisian, from Liverpool, which reached Halifax Saturday, is expected here at an early hour this morning.

The Donaldson str. Concordia, Capt. Webb arrived here Saturday afternoon from Glasgow. She had bad weather all the way out, the prevailing gales being from the northwest and west. Heavy seas accompanied the gales, so that the vessel did not have a very pleasant experience.

On the other side of Brier Island the Concordia passed a sister ship, the Alceides, from this port for Glasgow. This happened at 11 a. m. Saturday. The Concordia docked at the western side of the I. C. R. pier, where she will discharge between 2,500 and 3,000 tons of general cargo.

The Concordia will load with general cargo, including five or six hundred head of cattle. It is not yet decided whether this will be landed at Sand Point or at the new sheds on the Ballast wharf.

POLICE COURT. Three Forfeits and Some Fines—A Fredericton Youth.

Three drunks, picked up in various stages of intoxication on Saturday night, left deposits of eight dollars each with the police, and as the men failed to appear this morning the money was forfeited.

Charles McCarthy, who was full on Mill street, did not have enough money to make the required deposit, but was let down easily today for four dollars.

David Owens, a seventeen year old boy from Fredericton, told the old, old story of how a good Samaritan, with a big bottle, had found him by the wayside and poured wine into his system.

Owens also volunteered some scraps of information concerning his earlier life. He had once been arrested in Fredericton for "soaking a coon with a bag of flour." He was fined eight dollars or twenty days for being drunk on Mill street.

John McGorman is another man with a history, but his memory is not good. He was arrested for being full on Main street this morning was charged with assaulting Beaver Boyd in November, 1901, just after the Royal visit.

McGorman has been avoiding the police, but fell into the net after many days and this morning was sent in for thirty days on the old charge. He got twenty days additional for being drunk.

John Curran and Walter Wolfe were each fined eight dollars or twenty days for drunkenness. Wolfe did not follow the example of his renowned namesake, in reciting Gray's Elegy, but delivered an oration on Market Square in which real bad words were the predominating feature.

CREAM SERGES AND CREAM ALPACAS which are so much in demand now for evening wear can be found at F. A. Dykeman & Co's.

WINTER PORT TRADE. The grain export business this year promises to greatly exceed that of last season, and already the elevator at Sand Point has handled 200,000 bushels more grain than were received up to this date last year.

The shipments of package freight are reported to be heavy and it is believed will be fully equal to last season's record. This will bring the total export to a greater tonnage than ever before.

Import freight seems to be slightly heavier than was the case last season, but it is, of course, too early to judge of the total business to be done.

THE ADVANCE IN OIL.

Owing to an Enormous Demand For Fuel Purposes.

Fred A. Secord, provincial manager for the Sun Oil Co., returned last week from a business trip to the United States.

In conversation with the Star today Mr. Secord said that the condition of affairs in the oil business is unprecedented. Owing to the scarcity of coal in American cities fully ninety per cent of the better classes are using oil as fuel and this has given rise to an enormous demand.

The output of the different companies is twice as great as the production and outside orders are being turned down every day.

It is the custom for all oil companies to run their refineries on full time during the summer months, when the demand is not great, and to store up enormous quantities of oil, which will be sufficient to carry them through the winter when the demand is heavy.

This season, however, the reserve supplies are practically used up and considerable difficulty is experienced in meeting orders. W. T. Todd, general manager of the Sun Co's refineries in Pennsylvania, told Mr. Secord that there had never before been such a demand for oil as during the present season.

In St. John some difficulty has been experienced in securing supplies, but as yet there has been no shortage.

The price for kerosene has gone up considerably during the present month, and the American oil is now selling at twenty cents per gallon from the tank wagons or twenty-one and a half cents by the barrel.

This means a retail rate of twenty-five and twenty-six cents per gallon from the grocery stores.

Oil is now selling in New York at the hitherto unheard of rate of ten and one-half cents wholesale, which is just a trifle cheaper than in St. John.

PERSONAL. Miss Mary Baillie arrived home from Boston on Saturday, and will remain about a week. Miss Baillie has been pursuing her studies and educational work in Boston with marked success.

W. W. Scott, of Ottawa, Dominion commissioner, returned on the Parisian from Scotland, where he had been representing England at the Glasgow exhibition.

Among the passengers landing here from the s. s. Parisian today were H. D. Annable, of the C. P. R., of Montreal, and B. Mast, of Hong Kong, agent for the C. P. R. in the far East.

Mr. Mast was accompanied by his wife. Dr. Chas. B. Shuttleworth, of Toronto, is in St. John today on his way home from London, where he has been taking a special course in advanced medicine.

E. C. Elkin received a telegram yesterday stating that the symptoms of his son's case are more favorable than first reports. The telegram says that while Stanley Elkin is suffering from typhoid the case does not appear to be a serious one.

Hector C. Landry, who has been attending King's College Law School, went to Fredericton Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation.

A. Macmichael and Mrs. Macmichael of Toronto, returned home Saturday. Judge Wedderburn and family have removed from Hampton to the winter and are staying at the Dufferin Hotel.

Mrs. and Miss Roma King will leave Ottawa on Sunday for St. John N. B., where they will spend the Christmas season—Ottawa Citizen.

Mr. Taylor of St. John, and Miss Mabel Taylor, who was here all last winter at Miss Harmon's, are expected for the Christmas holidays, which they will spend with Dr. Graham, of Hull—Ottawa Free Press.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McNaughton and son, of Montreal, Assa, are visiting A. G. Gray, 20 Orange street.

Miss Lena Murray, from New York, is spending her Christmas holidays at 20 Orange street.

Jas. Dalton and Stephen McDonald, who are studying medicine at McGill, arrived home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Constance Arnaud returned on Saturday from Annapolis, where she has been visiting relatives for a few days. Miss Winnie Arnaud, her sister, accompanied her to spend the holidays in St. John with her parents.

Lieut. Geoghegan, of the 27th Burmah Infantry, has been promoted to the adjutancy of the 7th Madras Regiment, and will be stationed at Sangar, in the central province of India. Lieut. Geoghegan and Miss Scammell, of this city, were married last spring.

Miss Marion McGoldrick arrived home from Halifax on Saturday to spend the holidays.

Very rich Japanese silk mantel drapes are on sale at F. A. Dykeman & Co's at marvellously low prices, \$2, 2.65, 3.45, 4.45 and \$6.60.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Jones took place this afternoon from her late residence, 152 Waterloo street. Services were conducted by the Rev. G. M. Campbell and Rev. T. J. Deinstadt and interment made in Fernhill.

This afternoon the funeral of the late Mrs. Louisa A. Oglesby was held from the residence of Henry Brande, 190 St. James street. Service was conducted at three o'clock by Rev. G. M. Campbell and the body was interred in the Methodist burying ground.

BAPTIST PIONEER DEAD. WOODSTOCK, Ont., Dec. 22.—Rev. George Burns, pioneer Baptist minister, is dead here, aged eighty-six. His first charge was a New Brunswick forty-seven years ago and since then he has held various charges in Ontario.

A year ago today was the cold Sunday of last winter, the only day of the year when the thermometer went below zero. There were four new cases of smallpox reported in the city on that day.

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THAT ASYLUM DEATH.

The Sun this morning says that Johannes Halverdsen, an inmate of the provincial lunatic asylum, was attacked with heart trouble while eating supper on Thursday last and died suddenly of strangulation, despite the efforts of Dr. Hetherington and the attendants.

The Telegraph says the man died on Wednesday evening and Dr. Travers was also present; and that Dr. Kenny viewed the body on Friday afternoon and decided no inquest was necessary.

Whether the death occurred on Wednesday or Thursday no public announcement appeared until enquiry was made by the papers on Sunday.

The Telegraph has not yet demanded an investigation, and those who remember its zeal in the hospital and deaf and dumb institution enquiries—they wonder why—they wonder why.

AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH. St. Andrew's church was decorated with evergreen and sacred mottoes yesterday, and the music was of a special character. This choir was largely re-inforced, and an orchestra assisted in the service.

Rev. L. G. Manchild preached at both services, and his able sermons were appropriate to the Christmas season. The children of the Protestant Orphan Asylum attended the morning service.

MORE C. P. R. CARS. Rhodes, Curry & Co., of Amherst, have just received from the C. P. R. an order for five hundred flat cars, an additional three hundred box cars, and twenty first-class passenger coaches.

This order for passenger coaches is the first that has ever been placed in the maritime provinces by the C. P. R. and is highly complimentary to the work done by the Amherst firm.

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