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TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

DARING HOLD-UP.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. Two unmasked youths, to-day, pointed their revolvers at the ticket agent of the Subway Station, rifled the cash drawer of seventy dollars, went through the pockets of two passengers, who came down the steps to the station, and walked into the street, calmly sauntering past policemen. They made a clean getaway.

VILLA AFTER FOLLOWERS.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 4. Francisco Villa, at the head of a force of Federal cavalry, has taken the field in pursuit of the former's followers, known as "El Charro."

DEMPEY TOOK NEGRO'S MONEY.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 4. Jack Dempsey is made defendant in a suit filed in court here by J. F. Burns, a negro. It is alleged that Dempsey failed to pay Burns for special services, a sum amounting to seven hundred dollars, and that Burns also loaned Dempsey five hundred.

CARSON BACKS OUT.

LONDON, Jan. 4. Sir Edward Carson has decided to withdraw the political leadership of the Ulster Unionists, and also not to take office in a new Ulster Administration, according to the London Times.

THE REAL CAUSE.

DUBLIN, Jan. 4. A Moving Picture Theatre, in James Street, Tipperary, was set on fire Monday night, and burned down. Earlier in the day the proprietors had given free entertainment to soldiers.

WAR IN CORK.

CORK, Jan. 4. Another bombing incident, resulting in the wounding of six constables, followed by rifle and machine gun firing and the wounding of several civilians occurred here to-night.

DISTINGUISHED STOWAWAYS.

NEWPORT NEWS, V.A., Jan. 4. Two men, who identified themselves as Peter J. MacSwiney, brother of

the late Lord Mayor of Cork, and Daniel O'Callahan, present Lord Mayor of Cork, arrived in Newport News to-night as stowaways on the United States steamship West Canon from an Irish port.

NO INTERVENTION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4. Assurances that United States is not contemplating military intervention in Cuba were given to-day to the Cuban Minister by acting Secretary Davis. It was said at the State Department.

ALLIED PREMIERS CONFERENCE.

PARIS, Jan. 4. It is officially announced that a conference of Allied Premiers will be held in Paris toward the end of January, when Marshal Foch's report on German disarmament and the question of German reparations will be considered. The Greek situation also will be discussed.

A FORM OF ULTIMATUM.

CORK, Jan. 4. Another appeal to the American Red Cross has been sent by the Lord Mayor of Cork and other officials. The cablegram, which was sent to organization headquarters at New York to-day, reads, "We respectfully persist in the request that the American Red Cross be sent here. It is to no advantage to suggest a British substitute. Great Britain is waging a war of age or sex. Either you agree to come or you decline."

THESPIANS IN DIFFICULTIES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. Five thousand actors and actresses are on the unemployed list in this city, and many others are stranded at distant points, victims of widespread failures of road companies during the past year.

THOSE EXPERTS!

Efficient Expert—"I am very gratified to see how many new men you have taken on since I installed my system." "Yes, I hired 'em to take care of the system."—Judge.

Police Court.

JUDGE SCORES PROHIBITION ACT.

A youth, charged with a breach of the Prohibition Act was defended by Mr. Higgins. The Inspector General who was prosecuting called John Humby, at present serving a term in the Penitentiary for larceny. He testified that he met the defendant at the Seamen's Institute and that they had had a drink together. He finished half the bottle and he remembered nothing more after that. He didn't know what he was doing when he signed his statement. The prosecution having failed to prove anything against the defendant, the case was dismissed.

The next case was that of Head Byrne vs. a grocer for having in his possession intoxicating liquor. Mr. Higgins appeared for the defendant who pleaded guilty. Mr. Higgins said that his client had gotten a drop of smuggled rum for Christmas. Many others, he said, had done likewise. But he would like to draw attention to the methods adopted by the police in this case. Their conduct, he said, was not conducive to law and order. The Inspector General in reply, said that the police never took up investigations without good cause. His Honour in commenting on the case, said it was not for him to justify or condemn police methods in a search except in glaring evasions of citizens' rights. The methods employed may be harsh but for not attempting to rectify the Prohibition Act, we are responsible for this harshness. The Prohibition Act, he said, is unworkable in every respect. If a decent measure were put on the statute book, every citizen would uphold it, but until then the police must do their duty. "There is no sin in smuggling, unless you're caught," said His Honour. The defendant was fined \$100 or 30 days.

The next case was that of Sgt. Fitzgerald vs. two men of the West End for manufacturing "moonshine." Stanley Lamb, called, stated that the moonshine was made in his house. On Xmas Eve he and the other two men had three bottles each. He remembered nothing more as he was pretty full. The Inspector General in reply, said the defendant was drunk, said the three of them had the "horror" and "didn't know daylight from dark." They told her when she asked what they had in the room that it was "feed for pigs."

His Honour: You mean "Feed for the gods."

The Inspector General: "It was good feed for pigs, your honour."

One of the defendants was dismissed, the other who had been in court before for a similar offence, was fined \$100 or 2 months.

A carman for a breach of the Street Traffic Regulations was fined \$5 or 10 days.

A youth charged with a breach of the Street Traffic Regulations was fined \$100.

Old Ladies' Home.

LIST OF DONATIONS.

We are glad to see that the Cowan Mission Home for Old Ladies is receiving the support that such a deserving institution merits, as manifested by the appended list of donations. It would indeed be difficult to express how much the inmates of the Home appreciate the kindness of those who contribute toward their comfort. The following are the donations received during December:—Mrs. John Anderson, oranges, grapes; Miss Kavanagh, 1 pkt. biscuits; Miss O'Toole, peppermint knobs; Mrs. Job, 1 bar; bed-rest, 6 pots jam; Mrs. J. Scott, rolled oats, oatmeal, copper, 6 lemons; Mrs. C. Harvey, fruit cake, 6 gramophone records; Mrs. Lockyer, \$2.00, 2 tins salmon, handkerchiefs; Misses

Carter, jam, Xmas parcels; Mrs. Brennan, mickle tea kettle, turkey, allspice; Xmas crackers, sweets, nuts and raisins; Mrs. Rideout, \$5.00; Mrs. Gosling, \$5.00; Mrs. Cliff, \$5.00; Mrs. Simms, \$2.00; Mrs. S., \$1.00; Miss H., \$1.00; Miss F. Carter, 1 box biscuits; Mrs. Dr. Brehm, cake, books, Xmas parcels and crackers; Mrs. Dr. Knight, mince meat; Mrs. T. Cook, 6 tins sardines, cabbage; A Friend, sugar, jam, salmon, crisps; Mrs. V. Burke, 4 suits underwear; Mrs. H. Soper, fruit cake, 3 tins bake apples; A Friend, chocolates; Mrs. Smith, tea cosy; Mrs. H. Gooch, \$4.00, candy, fruit; Mrs. M. G. Winter, beef, 6 yds. ticking; Lady Crossie, 5 hot water bottles; Mrs. C. R. Ayre, cranberries; Mrs. Colley, chocolates; Miss McGrath, oranges; Mrs. G. Butt, cake; A Friend, \$50.00, 2 feather pillows and slippers; Mrs. H. Outerbridge, cake, 1 tin tongue; Mrs. Helen Reid, flowers; Mrs. Glendinning, 2 feather pillows; Dickie Construction Co., 2 loads kindling wood; Thomas Brown, storm door; Mrs. John Henderson, \$5.00; Mr. Levi Chafe, \$5.00, cake, jam; Mrs. Whitten, apples; Mr. Miller, black cloth; Mr. Dowling, black cloth; Miss Browning, cakes and handkerchiefs; Lady Bowring, Xmas crackers, fruit.

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT.

S.S. Portia left Curling to-day with a full load of herring for this port.

S.S. Prospero left Fogo at 10.45 this morning.

GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION. Aryle left Placentia at 5 a.m. on Merasheen route.

Clyde left St. John's early this a.m. to take up regular route.

Senel left Twillingate at 3.20 p.m. yesterday, inward.

Glance left English Hr. at 5.10 p.m. yesterday, coming to Placentia.

Home left Springdale at 10.50 a.m. yesterday, inward.

Kyle left Port aux Basques. Meigs left St. John's.

Petrel left Han's Hr. at 3.20 p.m. yesterday, outward.

Sagana left Humbermouth at 9 a.m. yesterday, going to North Sydney.

Wise Men Say—

That the best pull is push.

That difficulties develop character.

That stupidity is usually the result of laziness.

That smiling will get you farther than complaining.

That to be without ambition is to be mentally dead.

That the principal ingredient in luck common-sense.

That any provides the mud that failure throws at success.

That it is hard to get what you want when you don't know what it is.

That the man who can't make his mind up is not likely to make much else.

Household Notes.

Use cold water when making stock.

Indian date-bread is best steamed for three hours.

Hollandaise sauce is excellent with cauliflower.

A quart of cream when whipped makes 25 spoonfuls.

Cornmeal flour is often used in making fruit bread.

Brown bread may be baked in a well-oiled coffee can.

Rice griddle cakes are sometimes served with sausage.

Coffee cake is good sprinkled with sugar and cinnamon.

One pound of butter will butter three loaves of bread.

Vanilla and almond are the safest flavorings for candies.

One loaf of bread will make twenty-four sandwiches.

Wild rice is appropriate and good to serve with wild duck.

A dab of jelly adds interest to the plain cornstarch pudding.

A tasteless veal roast is transformed if served with onion sauce.

Tomato or mushroom sauce is excellent to serve with roast beef.

The perfect icing covers the cake to a depth of one-fourth an inch.

Prune bread, made with graham flour, is excellent for afternoon tea.

Stewed gooseberries are excellent to serve with broiled fresh mackerel.

Any vegetable except boiled cabbage will go well with roast turkey.

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