

\$50,000 FIRE IN KING STREET. Five and Ten Cent Store and Dowling Bros. the Heaviest Losers.

Blaze Started in Cellar of E. P. Charlton & Co., and Spread With Alarming Rapidity—Gallant Fight Made by the Firemen Before Control Was Secured—Two Men and Two Boys Cut Off in Upper Story by Smoke—Statement of Losses and Insurance.

Forty to fifty thousand dollar loss was occasioned by fire which, Wednesday night, raged in the Lawrence building in King street. This is a rough estimate but is considered not too great for the blaze was among valuable Christmas stocks.

A few minutes after the first alarm was sent in, about 6 o'clock, the upper part of King street was dense with smoke. The firemen were still arriving when a tongue of flames soared over the roof, but as they quickly died down.

Started in the Cellar. Charles Neale, manager of E. P. Charlton & Co., can give no explanation for the fire except it was that the blaze started from the cellar.

Good Salvage Corps Work. While the firemen were at work the Salvage Corps men were effectually operating to save property. It was useless to attempt salvage of any stock in Charlton's store.

A Blazing Furnace. Already the interior of the "Five and Ten Cent Store" was literally a blazing furnace. Fed by the light combustible stocks which the store was stocked.

Fought from Market Street. The shop runs back to market street and there it broke out, jutting past the rear of Dowling Bros.' dry goods store.

Chief Kerr stationed No. 1 engine at the corner of King and Charlotte streets, No. 2 near the Dufferin Hotel, No. 3 at the Y. M. C. A. building, Charlotte street, and No. 4 on German street, near the market entrance.

A Stubborn Fighter. But it was no easy task to beat down the fire. The fire seemed to have tremendous strength in the Charlton lot and was eating its way into the Dowling and Gray buildings as well as reaching upwards into the Charlton store and across from Messrs. Dowling's.

Access was thus gained to the roof and a deluge of water poured down the light shaft to the seat of the fire. Hose was also run in by the rear door of the Charlton shop and streams from Charlotte street also were placed in action.

Tons of water were shot into the place where the fire was worst and care was also taken to keep the adjoining walls saturated.

Only a Baby. Something to live for, to the place. Something to die for, maybe. Something to give even sorrow a grace, and yet it was only a baby!

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shop, Pudinington & Merritt's, Oscar Silverstein's, or Myles Gibbs, all of which are in the block.

Cut Off by Smoke. Chas. Conlon, photographer, has \$300 insurance in the block. His loss is not yet known. When he reached the scene Mr. Conlon went up to his studio and his two sons, Frank and Charles followed.

Notes. Some electric wires over Market street had to be cut to facilitate the firemen's work. The firemen complained again about the rubber gloves and said they had been loaned to a company.

One fireman was overcome by smoke in the Charlton store and was carried out by his fellow workers. He recovered in a couple of minutes.

Ontario Crop Report. The following is from the report of the Ontario Bureau of Agriculture for the crops of Ontario, from returns sent in under date of November 23rd.

WEDDINGS. McNamee-Murphy. Miss Minnie Murphy, daughter of the late James Murphy, and John J. McNamee, of Colbrook, were married in the Cathedral Tuesday evening by Rev. Fr. Connor.

Walker-Coburn. A very pretty wedding took place at 6 o'clock (Miss) on the 11th inst. when John Walker, of Brookline (Mass.), was united in marriage to Miss Laura M. Walker, of St. John, N. B.

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church, when Miss May Hillie Smythe Kenney, daughter of the late Wm. H. Smythe, of Windsor (N. S.), and adopted daughter of John Kenney, was united in marriage to Frank McHugh of the I. P.

The bride looked charming in a dress of blue broadcloth and white silk waist. She wore a large picture hat and was attended by Miss Gertrude McHugh.

The bride was dressed in broadcloth and wore a white hat with plumes. She was attended by her sister, Miss Nellie Murphy, who wore pale blue with black picture hat.

George W. Noble, son of J. I. Noble, of the Custom House staff, and William M. Jones, of St. John, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, Miss Mrs. Jones, on Tuesday morning.

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INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. On and after SUNDAY, Oct. 11, 1903, trains will run daily (SUNDAY excepted), as follows:

TRAINS LEAVE ST. JOHN. No. 1—Express for Moncton, 7:00 a.m. No. 2—Express for Halifax, the Sydney and Campbellton, 7:30 a.m.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN. No. 4—Express from Halifax and Sydney, 6:15 a.m. No. 5—Express from Moncton, 6:30 a.m.

ABANDONED BABY CUDDLED BY DOG. Desarted by Mother, Little One is Found in Vacant Lot and Life Saved by Mangrel. He was only a shabby, mongrel dog, but he lay all night on a windy, open lot, and kept an abandoned little baby cuddled to his shaggy breast so that it should not freeze to death.

Alexander Maclean to Be Commercial Agent of Canada. Ottawa, Nov. 25.—(Special)—Alexander Maclean, of Ottawa, has been appointed commercial agent for Canada to Japan.

Don't Complain. We all of us complain of the shortness of time and yet have much more than know what to do with. Our lives are spent in doing nothing at all, or in doing something to the purpose, or in doing something that we ought not to do.

Kenney-McHugh. As 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon a pretty wedding took place at Holy Trinity church, when Miss Gertrude McHugh was united in marriage to Frank McHugh.

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