



The Evening Times



THE WEATHER
Forecast—Moderate fresh west to northwest winds, mostly cloudy, day and Thursday, with a few light local snowfalls; about same temperature.

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SUFFRAGETTES WORRY ASQUITH, IN TURN THEY ARE SNOWBALLED

Bottle Thrown at British Premier in Liverpool

TABLES TURNED
Follow Asquith to Birkenhead and People Drive Them to Seek Police Aid to Get to Train—Two Arrests in London

London, Dec. 22.—(Special)—When Prime Minister Asquith drove to the Reform Club in Liverpool to deliver an address yesterday, a dozen suffragettes, one of whom was disguised as an orange seller, attempted to approach him. The police were too vigilant, however, and frustrated the attempt. Two of the suffragettes were subsequently arrested.

It is alleged that one of them threw a bottle at the prime minister, while another had in her possession a catapult containing pieces of iron.

Later suffragettes themselves were glad to accept police protection. Mr. Asquith went to make a speech in Birkenhead in the evening and the suffragettes followed him. The women tried to make a demonstration outside the hall, but the crowd there snowballed them mercilessly. Other women appealed to the police who conveyed them to the railway station under a forest of snowballs. They took the first train back to Liverpool.

Mrs. Wentworth and Miss McKean, two suffragettes, were arrested in Swansea on Monday night and arraigned in court yesterday on a charge of having been found by night on enclosed premises and having in their possession certain house-breaking implements. The two women were found on enclosed premises at Hall Farm, where Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, was scheduled to speak last night. The "housebreaking implements" consisted of a screwdriver, a nail driver and a toy pistol. The women were remanded.

Lord Curzon was enthusiastically received yesterday at Birkenhead, where he is to speak at the Albert Hall.

N. C. Hawkins, secretary of the Eighty Club, speaking yesterday, expressed every confidence that the Liberals would be returned to power through the decreased majority. The speaker's majority of 499.

MOTHER OFFERS TO SELL SELF FOR GIFTS TO CHILDREN

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—Facing the prospect of a cheerless Christmas and lacking money to buy her four children even such necessities as shoes, a woman who lives in one of the suburbs has inserted the following advertisement in a local paper:

FOR SALE—To secure means to give my children a Merry Christmas, I will sell my body to be delivered upon death, for \$10; am strong, healthy woman, 30 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighing 120 pounds.

"It is a simple business proposition," said the woman. "I need some money to make the little ones happy, and I don't know any other way to get it. I can't beg. I don't want to borrow without knowing just how or when I can return the loan."

PARR LIKELY TO GET REWARD FOR SUGAR EXPOSURES

New York, Dec. 22.—Richard Parr, who while a special agent of the treasury, discovered the secret wire system in the Sugar Trust, has made formal application to the secretary of the treasury for a reward provided by the government officials and others who expose customs frauds. Collector Loeb has formally approved Parr's claim.

An interesting fight promises to grow out of the claim. Under the law Parr is entitled to a part of the \$100,000 recovered as a result of his work. The award is discretionary with the secretary of the treasury.

Should the limit be allowed he would receive at least \$1,000,000. Parr has named no specific amount in his specification.

WOLGAST THE WINNER

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—Ad Wolgast of Milwaukee won the decision over Frank Penta of Los Angeles, in a ten-round contest last night.

DEATH OF LORD MONKSWELL

London, Dec. 22.—Lord Monkswell, president of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society, died today. He had been a frequent visitor to America and was one of the British representatives at the International exhibition of Chicago and St. Louis.

NATIONAL PARK AT NIAGARA IS REPORTED ON FAVORABLY

Washington, Dec. 22.—The report of the committee of landowners and private owners and corporations, that the vegetation can readily be restored, and that within a reasonable period the whole area in the immediate vicinity of the falls and the gorge will return as nearly as possible to the original condition, with the added advantage of accessibility.

By additional legislation and agreements with the Canadian government, the diversion of water for power purposes, in the opinion of the committee, should be kept in such limits that the impressiveness of the cataract shall not be diminished.

COPENHAGEN PEOPLE WORLD DO THINGS TO DR. COOK

Indignation Follows Sturdy Backing They Gave Him—Scientists Admit Being Humbugged But King Takes it as Somewhat of a Joke

Copenhagen, Dec. 22.—(Special)—This city and various towns in the provinces are greatly excited over the Cook fiasco. The attitude of simple faith in Cook's claims has suddenly turned to one of unbridled indignation. If the so-called explorer were in Copenhagen today he would surely get a reception decidedly the reverse of the one accorded to him a few months ago, and very likely would receive a thrashing if he fell into the hands of the indignant people.

Experts in polar work are outspoken in condemnation of the man. They consider his conduct toward the University of Copenhagen and the Danish nation as most scandalous. The evening papers denounce him as a swindler.

Hoaxed, Says Stromegren

Prof. Stromegren, chairman of the university commission, which pronounced Cook an impostor, in presenting the report to the university, said:

"It was an offence to submit such papers to scientific men. Of course the university erred in honoring Dr. Cook and there was no excuse for men of science erring in such a manner. They ought to be calm even amid public enthusiasm and excitement, but we thought to honor the great nation to which Dr. Cook belongs and we had to support Mr. Egan, the American minister. Moreover, President Tafel congratulated Dr. Cook while explorers both Danish and foreign guaranteed him bona fide. We have been hoaxed."

The disgust of Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer, is in proportion to his former championship. He says:

"Cook is an impostor, plain as day. No school boy could make such foolish calculations as he did. He has killed himself."

Rasmussen added that he based his faith in Cook largely in reports of the Belimor. He was still completely convinced that Cook had made a valuable trip to Cape Sharp and Stah, admirably overcoming winter difficulties. He further says the committee believed Cook was helped by Capt. Loeb, although he did not send the latter's observations to the committee.

Commodore Gustav Holm, Arctic explorer and member of the committee, said: "Cook's papers convict him of being a swindler. We examined his observations first and agreed unanimously that they were worthless."

The King Rather Amused

The university authorities last night expressed satisfaction that Denmark, not America, had pronounced the verdict, because it showed the world that Denmark was impartial and had acted honestly, although mistakenly. It is stated that the senate of the university contemplates depriving Cook of the degree it conferred on him, but has not reached a definite decision as yet. It is declared that the crown prince, who was completely won by Cook's claims, is angry with the Danish scientists, and the Greenland administration for misleading him, but the king, who was inclined to be sceptical throughout and refused to deprecate Cook, is rather amused at the hoax perpetrated.

PALACE HALLS ARE NOW FLORAL GARDENS

All Parts of World Send Flowers for Leopold's Funeral—Princess Louise Prays for Coffin

Brussels, Dec. 22.—Thousands are arriving from all parts of Belgium and points outside to attend the funeral of King Leopold and the accession of Prince Albert to the throne. The demand for cards of admission to the church and parliament exceeds the supply by many thousands while a small army of foreign newspaper representatives are vainly clamoring for journalistic privileges.

The foreign princes, missions and delegations have reached here. Prince Albert personally met the Duke of Connaught, Prince Henry of Prussia and Prince Ferdinand of Romania.

An extraordinary feature at the palace is the wealth of floral offerings from all parts of the world. The grand staircase and halls have been transformed into exquisite flower gardens. Princess Louise, carrying a bunch of orchids today, visited and prayed long beside the coffin of her father.

FIRE LOSS OF \$75,000 IN SHIPBUILDING PLANT

Newburg, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Fire this morning destroyed about one-half of the large shipbuilding plant of the T. S. Marvel Company. A part of the plant, including the engine and boiler house, the iron forming department, moulding room and saw mill, were destroyed. The loss will aggregate about \$75,000.

Several new boats in course of construction and a dozen under repairs were threatened, but were saved by the firemen.

T. P. O'CONNOR LEAVING FOR ENGLAND TODAY

New York, Dec. 22.—V. Bourke Coker and Justice Martin J. Keogh, of the state supreme court, gave a farewell dinner at the Lotus club last night to T. P. O'Connor, the Irish leader and member of the British parliament, who will return to England today, after a visit to this city in the interest of home rule for Ireland.

GERMAN STEAMER ASHORE

London, Dec. 22.—The German freight steamer Salsitas went ashore at Dungeness, a headland projecting into the English channel during a gale today. The vessel was bound from Tacoma via various ports for Hamburg.

DR. DUDLEY IS DEAD

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 22.—Dr. Chas. B. Dudley, chief chemist for the Pennsylvania R. R. Company, died last night of typhoid pneumonia, aged 68 years.

SUPPLY OF XMAS BIRDS BOUGHT UP

London, Ont., Housewives Fail to Get Any of 5,000 FOUND OUT, SHOTS HIMSELF

Young Man, Looked on as Respectable, Arrested on Suspicion of Theft—Twelfth Arrest in Cobalt Ore Cases is Made

London, Ont., Dec. 22.—(Special)—Before local housewives at retail prices could get a show, buyers from Toronto and Hamilton bought up all the supply of turkeys at yesterday's market, paying from twenty-two to twenty-five cents a pound. At least five thousand birds were secured.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 22.—(Special)—Joseph Mitchell, previously regarded as a respectable young man, was arrested yesterday on suspicion of being concerned in several cases of theft. He was allowed out on bail last night. He was found in a street with a bullet hole in his head, having shot himself.

Mitchell was removed to the hospital, but cannot recover. Investigation at his home revealed a wagon load of stolen goods.

WELLAND, DEC. 22.—(Special)—Constantino Gerardo, Italian aged 24 years, slashed his throat with a razor, the blade missing the jugular vein by a narrow margin. The wound was stitched up, but blood ran down the man's throat into the lungs and he is now at the point of death. A few months before his marriage, Gerardo's wife, a young Italian girl, took carbolic acid in an attempt to end her life. It is said the couple lived happily together.

HARRISON FARM AT GONDOLA POINT IS SOLD

Hamilton, N. B., Dec. 22.—(Special)—The Harrison farm at Gondola Point, at present in the possession of Miss Mary L. Harrison, containing seventy-five acres, with residence and farm buildings, was sold by auction this morning under a decree of the court. The purchase price was \$10,000. The purchaser, it is understood, is George Pettigall, the holder of the second mortgage. J. Roy Campbell, referee, and J. S. Macdonald, were present at the sale, and H. J. Fowler was auctioneer.

NEW BABY ONE OF THE RICHEST IN THE WORLD

Washington, Dec. 22.—Two of Washington's most distinguished citizens and multi-millionaires are congratulating each other because Santa Claus has brought them a grandson as a Christmas gift.

The two happy grandfathers are John R. McLean, proprietor of the Washington Post, and Thomas F. Walsh, the Colorado miner. The tiny grandson is the first child of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beale McLean. Mrs. McLean was Miss Evelyn Walsh, the only child of Thomas F. Walsh, and Edward McLean is the only child of John R. McLean.

Their marriage united two vast fortunes, the joint amount being variously estimated at from thirty to forty millions of dollars. The new McLean baby, is therefore, one of the richest youngsters in the world.

SHOT HIMSELF; PARTING TOO MUCH

Montreal, Dec. 22.—(Special)—Maud Torry, of Hanover, Mass., the woman for grief at parting from whom William Ellingwood shot himself at Montreal Junction last night after leaving her on the train, came back to Montreal this morning in response to a telegram telling her of the shooting. Ellingwood is still alive with four bullet wounds, but he may not recover.

Ellingwood dragged himself a quarter mile through the snow after shooting himself. He did not want to part from the girl, and could not stand the strain.

RICH BREWER IS FOUND DEAD, HAD TAKEN HIS LIFE

New York, Dec. 22.—After private detectives had vainly sought him for four weeks, Gustav Feigenbaum, a wealthy retired brewer in Pleasanton, L. I., was found in a hotel in Jersey City yesterday, dead by his own hand.

He had registered at the hotel as "Charles Smith, Trenton." Some hours later he was found dead with a bullet hole in his head. The only means of identification was a wedding ring, inscribed "C. C. to G. F." and a letter offering to sell 500 acres of land at Pleasanton as site for a State Hospital for \$800 an acre.

The body was identified by F. A. Treiber of Long Island City, Feigenbaum's treasurer. Mr. Treiber said that his father-in-law was fifty-three years old, and had retired from business some years ago. For several years he has been afflicted by an incurable malady which has affected his mind.

THE BATH TUB CASE

New York, Dec. 22.—When the Essex county, New Jersey, grand jury met today, it was expected that it would early have received its findings in the bath-tub murder case. Although no indictments had been officially announced up to today, Prosecutor Motz was satisfied with the outcome of the proceedings, in which he brought witnesses to show the alleged connection of Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of the victim, and Mrs. Mary Stead and Miss Virginia Wardlaw, her aunts, with the mysterious death of Mrs. O'Connell in East Orange, N. J. The next step following the finding of indictments would be an application to Governor Fort at Trenton for requisition papers to have the two prisoners in this city taken to New Jersey for trial.

W. C. T. U. IN CAMPAIGN

Montreal, Dec. 22.—(Special)—The W. C. T. U. will take part in the municipal elections, and strive to get out the Women's vote in support of candidates who will support the early closing of the saloons and hotels.

STEAMER AFIRE, IS SUNK AT HER PIER

New York, Dec. 22.—Fire in the after-hold of the steamship Harry Luckenbach, of the Insular Line last night resulted in the sinking of the steamer and her cargo of 45,000 bags of sugar at her pier in the Erie Basin, South Brooklyn. The damage is estimated at between \$100,000 and \$175,000.

THREE LIVES TAKEN BY ASSASSINS TODAY IN INDIA, KOREA, RUSSIA

CITY MOURNS DEATH OF HENRY HILYARD TODAY

Prominent Lumberman and Mill Owner, Hospital Commissioner and Board of Trade Member—Sick Only a Few Days; Was in Office Last Thursday

Henry Hilyard, one of St. John's foremost citizens and one of the pioneer leading lumbermen, passed away at noon today at his home, 222 Douglas Avenue, after a few days illness.

While it was known that Mr. Hilyard had been in a serious condition since yesterday, his death comes as a great shock. He was at his office in the Hilyard Bros. mill on Thursday last.

He had lately contracted a severe cold, and complications set in and on Monday Dr. J. P. McInerney, his physician, held a consultation with Dr. A. F. Huxley. Yesterday, however, his physician reported a slight improvement, and it was announced that should this hold out he would have passed the danger point. Last night, however, Mr. Hilyard became worse and Dr. Malherbe, Emory, White, J. B. Harvey and Huxley held a consultation and it was decided that should their patient show the slightest sign of improvement, that either Doctor Armstrong or Doctor Bell of Montreal would be brought here by special train. Mr. Hilyard, however, spent a bad night and there were indications this morning that he was sinking and the end came about noon.

HAYANA MAN HERE SPEAKS OF POTATO BUSINESS

W. A. Wallace, of Havana, importer and commission merchant, is in the city in connection with the shipment of potatoes from Cuba to this port to Havana. Speaking of the potato business from this port, Mr. Wallace said that the first lot were in very bad shape, but later shipments had been very good. The potatoes sent from here this year, had been under a hard time of it, he said, to hold trade there, especially under the adverse conditions of the market. St. John had a hard time of it, he said, to hold trade there, especially under the adverse conditions of the market. St. John had a hard time of it, he said, to hold trade there, especially under the adverse conditions of the market.

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When the fire broke out in the north wing about 8:30 o'clock some of the insane patients escaped, but the asylum authorities soon had an organized system for removal of patients from the burning wing to another portion of the hospital. The fire burned fiercely and the local fire department fought it tenaciously until at 10:30 o'clock it was under control.

PRINCE RUPERT TO BE RUN BY COMMISSION

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 22.—(Special)—The Provincial government has declined to advance \$75,000 for installation of an electric light plant and equipment at Prince Rupert. The government agreed to give favorable consideration to an application for a site at Prince Rupert for municipal buildings. It is understood the Prince Rupert will become incorporated at once, adopting government by commission at the start.

LITTLE TIM SULLIVAN OF NEW YORK DYING

New York, Dec. 22.—Alderman Timothy P. Sullivan, affectionately known south of Fourteenth street as "Little Tim," is distinguished himself from his cousin, Timothy D. Sullivan (Big Tim), the state senator, by dying. He has been ill for some time and a week ago was critically seized. Mr. Sullivan has a complication of diseases.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS

Boston, Mass., Dec. 22.—Nine Catholic institutions of Boston will receive substantial Christmas gifts in cash as the result of the first distribution of the residue of the estate of the late John J. Finnigan, a prominent real estate man of this city.

Magistrate Done To Death By Native In Bombay

KOREA'S PREMIER Yi Fatally Stabbed by Youth of Twenty—Chief of Russian Secret Police Lured to Quiet Street and Bomb Exploded

A remarkable series of assassinations of personages high in office is reported today from widely separated points throughout the world.

In Seoul, Korea, the prime minister of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed to death with a dagger as an apparent result of the intense feeling in Korea against Japanese influence.

In St. Petersburg, the chief of the secret police, Col. Karloff, was blown to pieces by the explosion of a bomb, supposedly thrown by an anarchist.

In Bombay, British India, the chief magistrate of Nank, Arthur M. T. Jackson, was assassinated by a native for revenge and was presumably a part of the sedition movement against the British official authority. In each of the countries the governing authority is menaced by a dangerous element directed against the existing regime.—(Associated Press).

IS ASSASSINATED

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 22.—Premier Yi, head of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed and fatally wounded today by a Korean, Yi Chaim Yong.

The attack occurred at 10 o'clock in the morning. Yi was returning from a Japanese residence when the assassin came up with a long kitchen knife in his hand. He drove this twice into the abdomen of the premier, and once into the lung.

The assassin then turned on the premier's jailer, whom he stabbed and instantly killed.

The assassin was immediately arrested. He is a man of about twenty years and is believed to be a member of political secret society. The premier was removed to a hospital.

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FORMER MINISTER IS FINED \$7,000

Los Angeles, Dec. 22.—Charles Wesley McCrossan, formerly a Baptist preacher in Los Angeles, convicted of making false representations in the prospectus of a mining company of which he was president, has been sentenced to pay \$4,000 or to serve one year in jail. McCrossan said he would pay the fine.

LEBLANC WHO BROKE OUT OF DORCHESTER IS CAPTURED

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 22.—(Special)—Eviding the police for five months, Ben LeBlanc was finally captured this morning at 3 o'clock, while he slept at the home of his father in Cross street. For the past five months the police have been looking for LeBlanc, he having escaped from Dorchester jail by breaking the bars of a window. He and his brother were awaiting trial on charge of theft of \$400 from Fred Bourque, Shediac road. He was arrested on August 29, and was committed for trial, and had been in Dorchester jail three days when he made his escape.

A subscription has been taken up throughout the city for the widow of Robert J. Whelan, who was crushed to death in the inter-colonial wreck at Nash's Creek, and the sum of \$110.70 was realized, a portion being voted to paying off the small balance on the dead driver's property. The only insurance left by Whelan was \$250 from the railway, which went to his mother.

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INDIA'S MINERAL PRODUCT

A summary of the mineral production of India for 1908, which appeared in a recent issue of the Indian Trade Journal of Calcutta, states:

Table with 2 columns: Mineral Name and Production Value. Includes Coal, Gold, Petroleum, etc.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



DEBUTANTE DINNER DRESS OF WHITE PERMO FABRIC.

The New Commandment

By Anthony Verrall.

(Continued) CHAPTER III. At the end of a certain late-summer afternoon John Ghent, far out of his tr...

He finally wheeled about to behold the scene unfolding on the farther side of the world. He looked above into heaven's vault. The very sky seemed increasing in size. There were never majesty and mightier threat in the storm clouds piled up in ominous mass...

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These large 50 cent cases contain more than sufficient quantity of cure almost any case of Dyspepsia, Indigestion or any other stomach disturbance.

The man leaned far out over the car-edge and bawled at the top of his voice: "Pull her down! Pull her down, Hank!"

For God's sake, pull her down! A terrific flash of lightning and a roar of detonation like the sudden explosion and rending of the very firmament came out of the sky.

Ghent beheld a cheap frame building on the earth below suddenly scatter into a thousand separate planks and scantlings that hurtled away and upward like a flight of unheeded monsters.

With one wild leap the balloon shot upward, tearing the wreck like a bubble on the waves, and spinning in buoyant fury with the twist of the cataplectic air.

The man and the woman thus abruptly left together in the car had caught at the basket instinctively to save themselves from death. Ghent's hair had been snatched from his head at the first mighty pounce of the cyclone.

He could almost have laid his hands upon her throat and strangled her from the peril of their ride that stayed his impulse.

It was not the terrific fury or the peril of their ride that stayed his impulse—it was simply that Judith was a woman and he scored like a strong male animal to harm a fellow creature of her sex.

She saw that she was known at last, and he scored like a strong male animal to harm a fellow creature of her sex.

He thought that perhaps the woman might be crazy—suddenly demented by this flight above the earth—and his hand grew tense and his muscles hard, as if in preparation for defense in some terrible encounter that might perchance arise.

How long the two confronted each other thus across the frail structure that held them, neither was ever to know. Their exchange of mental and psychological fulminate was interrupted by a sharp exclamation from the guard.

Dress Goods Remnants At Half Price

This great offering consists of Tweeds, Serges, Panamas, Venetians, Cashmeres, Poplins and Striped Suitings in ends from one to seven yards, will make very suitable Christmas gifts.

We have had our profit so are willing to sacrifice these remnants in order to clean up our stock.

I. Chester Brown 32 and 36 King Square.

Advertisement for A. O. Skinner Furniture, featuring Bissell's Sweepers and Christmas gifts. Includes text: JUST OPENED, FURNITURE, CHRISTMAS GIFTS, Chairs, Tables, Cabinets, Smokers' Cabinets, A. O. SKINNER, 58 King Street, BISSELL'S CARPET SWEEPERS.

Advertisement for filling pillows, featuring Bissell's pillows. Includes text: IN FILLING PILLOWS, The average housewife nearly always has difficulty in filling pillows.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture



POOR GIRL. Unhappy is the maid who's reached uncertain years, you know. And find she needs the subtle hint That hides in misletoe. Of whom is she thinking? ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE Upside down, in waistcoat.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion, featuring a fisherman carrying a large fish. Includes text: This is the trademark which is found on every bottle of the genuine Scott's Emulsion, the standard Cod Liver Oil preparation of the world.

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New Brunswick's Independent Newspapers.

These papers advocate: British Connection, Honesty in Public Life, Measures for the Material Progress and Moral Advancement of our Great Dominion, No Craft, No Deals.

EAST AND WEST

The Times prints today a letter from a former resident of this province who now lives in Alberta. After due allowance has been made for the unscrupulous exaggeration of a dissatisfied man, it is still clear from his letter that life is not all sunshine in the western provinces.

ASQUITH ON THE NAVY

Premier Asquith asserts that the present British navy as at present constituted is able to defend the empire and will be able, moreover, to do so for some years to come.

APPROVES THE BUDGET

The Montreal Shareholder is another financial journal which speaks in high praise of Mr. Fielding and the budget. It says that his statement that there will be no tariff changes will be reassuring to the large body of importers and manufacturers.

pected to reach the \$100,000,000 mark before the close of the present year, but expenditure shows a material falling off. As it is, Mr. Fielding showed that revenue receipts so far this year exceeded the expenditure on account of the consolidated fund by sixteen and a half millions.

After touching up Mr. Fielding's references to the French treaty, trade with Belgium, Italy and the United States, and the question of combines, the Shareholder concludes:— "Taken as a whole, the budget speech was a timely and appropriate one. It allays all uneasiness in regard to tariff changes, although we admit that those who looked for higher duties on goods similar to those manufactured by them, notably the manufacturers of woollen goods, will be seriously disappointed."

WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC

The astounding report of the United States immigration commission on the proportions of the white slave traffic in that country calls for prompt and effective action. Thousands of women are lured every year to the United States and sold into a life of degradation and shame.

THE MIRROR

Montreal has declared in favor of a civic lighting plant. A very small vote was polled, but there was a majority in favor of the proposition. The result will be hailed with great satisfaction by advocates of public ownership.

THE MIRROR

The illness of Mr. Balfour is a serious loss to the English Conservatives. Were he and Mr. Chamberlain in the thick of the fight their followers would be rallied very effectively. With both of them indisposed it is an uphill fight.

THE MIRROR

An exchange gives this entertaining picture of Zelaya, as he was when president of Nicaragua:— "Zelaya has always been a staunch champion of the theory and practice of public ownership, the public, of course, being the state. The state being short of money, the state found it convenient to take over the liquor trade. A fiat from Zelaya was all that was necessary to accomplish this. It was declared to be illegal for any private person to manufacture liquor. The numerous plants, however, did not become worthless. Their owners found it convenient to sell their product to the government, which would retail it at any price Zelaya saw fit. If the manufacturers asked too stiff a price, their property was confiscated, and they were thrown into prison for engaging in an illicit business. If they cut their own profits and gave the state a chance to make money, the unlawful traffic was ended. As a matter of fact, the government did find the business profitable, and gave it an only when the soldiers who carried it on were needed to quell a revolution. Suddenly Zelaya became a cattle baron, by imposing an export duty of \$5 a head on all cattle. Personally, he was above the law, and so it paid him to buy and export large numbers of cattle."

Santa Claus Decrees CLOTHING As Christmas Gifts. In order to feel your smartest on Christmas Day and to go to your Christmas dinner feeling your best, you must have new stylish clothing. You'll be surprised how it will brighten you up. If it will do this for you—would clothing not be good as Christmas gifts?

Christmas Slippers. For good, solid comfort get him a pair of Slippers for Christmas. He'll remember you long after the Christmas season has past, and bless your thoughtfulness. We are showing very attractive lines this season, and we'll take pleasure in showing them to you at any time.

The Microscope Projector. The Successor to the Magic Lantern. By means of a reflected light projected through a strong lens, you can show snap shots, picture post-cards, etc., reproduced in their original colors, only magnified to six feet in diameter.

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Our Fancy Goods are Going Fast Don't Leave Your Shopping too Late. Rubbers, Gaiters, Slippers, Skating Boots. Any of these would make a Nice Present. Wetmore, Garden Street. Fancy Handkerchiefs, Neckwear and Belts.

MAKING MINCEMEAT I can see a kitchen table, scrubbed as white as white can be. And three wide-eyed wistful youngsters standing round it I can see; Oh, the tables piled with good things, there are raisins in a bowl. There are currants washed and drying, and six hands beyond control. Six hands that grab for raisins and for currants and once more I see another making mincemeat as she used to do of yore.

IN LIGHTER VEIN GETTING FRIENDLY. That Christmas isn't far away. I've had a warning. The janitor remarked to me: "Good morning!" "Not working." "He's a model of politeness." "Yes, but not a working model."

A PERMANENT JOB. Callie—Snip & Co. have employed me to collect the bill you owe them. Owens—"You are to be congratulated, in securing a permanent position."—The Bits.

WHY DO IT? We are on earth to brie a time. When all is said and done, I wonder that we ever get. Our grouchies spoil our fun.

UNCLE EZRA SAYS: "They'll allow three letters in the alphabet that most people like to keep out of their daily lesson: 'I. O. U.'"—Boston Herald.

PATRIOTIC. A stranger in Milwaukee, seeing an Irishman at work in the streets, asked him what was the population of the town. "Oh, about forty thousand," was the reply.

THE FIRST COLD SNAP. I love the pleasant-mannered June, with deep blue liquid eyes. Who, like a Leda and her swans, swims in the summer skies.

THE RAVEN REVISED. Once upon a morning foggy, while I loitered, grinning and zoggy. Over biscuits that were soggy, and an egg that was a bore.

Do Not Delay. Your Christmas Shopping, as so much depends upon getting properly waited on; and that can only be done when we have plenty of time to show you our Very Extensive lines of Holiday Jewelry, Watches, Silver ware, Cut Glass, etc., etc.

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THE INGLENOOK PHILOSOPHER OF KENNEBECASIS BAY. The other day I took up Irving's "Sketch Book," to read for the twentieth time the story of Rip Winkle and the Legend of Sleepy Hollow, and when I had finished my perusal of these admirable stories, told as no other writer now living could tell them, I went through the volume from cover to cover, though I have been familiar with its contents since boyhood.

WASHINGTON IRVING was the youngest of the eleven children of William Irving, a native of the Orkney Islands, and was born on William street, near Fulton, New York, on April 3, 1783. At that time the city extended north from the Battery only to Greenwich street, the territory beyond being agricultural and occupied by the ancestors of the Vanderbilts, Beckmans, Schuylers, Hoffmans, and Stedmans. Van Rensselaer and other city magnates of the present day. Irving studied, and was admitted to the bar, but he never entered seriously into the practice of his profession. On account of ill-health he visited Europe, journeying through France, Italy and Holland, and sojourning for a considerable time in England, where much of the "Sketch Book" was written. In 1815 he visited England again, and a little later the "Sketch Book" was published by John Murray, whose imprint at that time was of great value to authors. Mr. Murray also published "Bracebridge Hall" and "Tales of a Traveller," for the copyright of which, with the "Sketch Book," he paid Mr. Irving \$16,000.

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Dolls, Toys, China and Holiday Fancy Goods. Our big rush is now on. The Bisque Jointed Dolls have come to hand—prices \$1.45 to \$5.75. Our stock is still large, but wise people are buying early. Be sure to see our stock.

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YOUR TIME

is getting limited in which to do your Christmas shopping. Stocks are fast depleting. Why not do your shopping now while varieties are unbroken and choice good? Remember, there are only THREE more days in which to do your buying. We append this list as a slight index of what "this" store can do in the way of helping you scratch many names off your gift list.

- WHAT "HE" WOULD APPRECIATE
TIES—Four-in-hand, puff or flowing end, in endless varieties.
HANDKERCHIEFS—Silk or linen, with or without initial.
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CLOTHES BRUSHES—Various qualities.
SWEATERS—Coat style; plain or fancy colors.
HOSIERY—Wool, silk or lace thread socks.
SMOKING JACKETS—All sizes.
MILITARY BRUSHES—With or without case.
MUFFLERS—Silk or wool, in every conceivable style.
SUSPENDERS—Various styles in fancy boxes.
UMBRELLAS—Huge assortments.
KRINKLEDOWN BLANKETS—In white, blue or pink.
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BABY BASKETS—Various styles (unlined).
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GAITERS—White and cardinal.
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This Store will be open every night this week until 10 o'clock
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If you want to make Christmas a doubly happy day give somebody something in furs from MAGEE'S. You'll get the best at our store, something full of style, something that will be satisfactory. We've a splendid stock to make a selection from. A few hints we give below.

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Skates, Pocket Knives, Sleds and Framers. Boys' and Men's Hockeys, Acme Pattern, Long Reach. Board Sleds, N.B. Pattern, Clipper or Pointer Sleds, Flexible Flyers, the sled that steers. Framers, all sizes and styles.

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NO FEAR OF LOSING FIRST PLACE AT SEA

Premier Asquith Says Navy is Strong Enough For Years

Lloyd George Gets An Enthusiastic Reception—Haldane on Sick List—Rosebery is Heard From Again

London, Dec. 21—Premier Asquith today, speaking at Liverpool, said as regards the navy: "Let me say once and for all, and I speak with full deliberation after careful and prolonged inquiry, that the navy today is able to maintain, not only this year, but for years before us, our supremacy at sea, and should the necessity arise, which God forbid, to guarantee the integrity of our shores, the protection of our commerce and the inviolability of our empire."

ST. JOHN NAIL MEN WIN IN RATE CASE

C. P. R. Must Restore Old Tariff, Decides Railway Commission

Ministers' Plans for the Christmas Holidays—Canada Welcomed 150,000 Immigrants Between April 1 and Nov. 30

Ottawa, Dec. 21—The application of the James Pender Company, the Maritime Navigation Company and the Portland Rolling Mills for the restoration of the rates to points on the Quebec Central Railway to those prevailing before the recent change was today granted by the board of railway commissioners and an order was made accordingly.

SHOULD BE DRY DOCK HERE SAYS A. ALLAN

"Canada is not yet ready for steel-ship building yards," said Andrew Allan to a Halifax Chronicle reporter on Monday.

Lord Bessford, at Pembroke Dock, reiterated his determination, to speak out unless things naval were put right. The press bureau, which had done away with the good feeling and comradeship of the navy.

J. H. CROCKET TO LEAVE STANDARD

(The Telegraph) At a meeting of the directors of the Standard newspaper, held Monday afternoon, the resignation of James H. Crockett, who since the paper was started early last spring, has been managing director, was received and accepted.

HIGHEST FOOD-VALUE. EPPS'S COCOA

Epps's Cocoa is a treat to Children. A Sustainment to the Worker. A Boon to the Thrifty Housewife. In strength delicacy of flavour, nutritiousness and economy in use "Epps's" is unsurpassed. Children thrive on "Epps's."

THE YOUNG MAN WHO WAS

They had an accident on the Grand Trunk recently, nobody hurt, but a young lady fainted and in bringing her to another and run her hand just then the small novelty came out and she shouted "Rubber! Rubber! Rubber! Cut up! Rubber! Rubber!"

THE YOUNG MAN WHO WAS

The young man's choir of Brussels street Baptist church gave a very enjoyable concert last evening in the school room of the church.



The People Are Attending The Dissolution Sale See Page Seven WILCOX BROS., Dock Street and Market Sq.

DINNER SETS Christmas Sale of Dinner Sets \$4.75 to \$140.00 each Call and see our Large Assortment and Low Prices W. H. Hayward Co. Ltd. 85, 87, 89, 91, 93 Princess St.

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100 Princess St., 111 Brussels St., 443 Main St. and 248 King St. West. Hand Made Barley Toys, only 10c. lb. Candy Cane only 10c. lb. Regular 10c. Toys and Fancy Goods for 25c. Regular 15c. Toys and Fancy Goods for 10c. Regular 25c. Toys and Fancy Goods for 15c. Regular 40c. Chocolates, for 25c. lb. Regular 50c. Toys and Fancy Goods for 25c. Regular 75c. and 80c. Toys and Fancy Goods for 25c. A 160 Page Mammoth Story Book for 10c. All Dolls, Games, Toys, and Books at less than wholesale prices.

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MILLINERY MISS M. CAMPBELL, in the new millinery pattern hats she is giving at half price for the Christmas trade and has some lovely fur turbans at different prices. A few Beaver Turbans in stock get. Freshly curled to order, 55 German Street.

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HELP WANTED—FEMALE WAITRESS WANTED at once, also experienced chamber maid, at the Clifton House. 238-41.

WANTED—Two experienced waitresses. Apply Wananaker's Restaurant, 101 Charlotte Street. 238-41.

WANTED—Capable girl for general housework. Apply with references to Mrs. Waterbury, 220 King Street East. 238-41.

SERVANT WANTED—A good general servant. Apply to Mrs. Chas. F. Tilton, Lancaster Heights. 234-41.

TO LET—Rooms for light housekeeping or small flat. Enquire 31 Carleton Street, right hand bell. 232-12-23.

ROOMS TO LET—Large comfortable furnished rooms, heated by hot water at very reasonable rates by day or week at Metropolitan Hotel, 110 Charlotte Street. 238-11-10.

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TO LET—SELF CONTAINED HOUSE on Douglas Ave. All modern improvements. Terms say to list of day. Heated. Apply G. W. ROSEN, 243-41.

TO LET—FOUR ROOM HOUSE, ENQUIRE OF GARFIELD LEAMAN, 45 West Street. 238-41.

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TO LET—THE HOUSE LATELY OCCUPIED by Dr. W. F. Broderick, No. 22 Carleton Street, is now available. Possession at once. Apply to JOHN F. MORRISON, 237-41.

TYPESET PLAT—EIGHT ROOMS, BATHS and water heating. Corner Queen and Victoria Street, West End. 64-41.

WANTED—MALE HELP BOY WANTED—Apply at once, Horace C. Brown, 85 G. Main Street. 23-41.

WANTED—First class cylinder and job press feeder. Apply Telegraph Job Office. 23-41.

MEN WANTED in various occupations. Can add to making per week and 20 per day expenses advertising goods, putting up showcards in all companies, and generally representing a large business. Write for particulars to W. A. JENKINS MFG. CO., London, Ont. 238-41.

WANTED—The person who took a muff from Maximal's on Saturday to return it at once to Miss Bowman, 107 Princess Street, and save trouble.

COOK WANTED—Royal Dairy Lunch. 233-41.

WANTED—Any person having a small Motor Boat for sale or to trade for large one, address Motor, care of Times Office. 23-41.

WANTED—A REPUTABLE MAN IN EVERY locality in Canada with big capable handling power, on salary or commission, \$10.00 a week and advertising on Royal Purple Stock and vesting Special, setting up bill posters, 7 by 7 feet, well going to merchants and consumers. No experience needed. Write for particulars, W. A. JENKINS MFG. CO., London, Ont. 238-41.

WANTED—200 of our customers to try a 25c. box of JO-RECO, DYSPEPSIA TABLETS. Money refunded if they do not cure.

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Christmas Flowers Very choice Roses, Carnations, Narcissus, Violets, Lilies, Hyacinths, Swansonia, etc. Also fine plants in bloom, suitable for Xmas Presents. Holly and Mistletoe. Send your orders early and get the best. H. S. CRUIKSHANK

SHIPPING

DOMINION PORTS Moncton, Dec. 18—Ard, schr. Glyndon, Hava, Boston. Halifax, Dec. 21—Ard, strms Sardinian, London and Hayre, and cid for St. John; Florida, New York, Dec. 21—Ard and cid, schr. Amada, Santiago.

BRITISH PORTS Glasgow, Dec. 21—Ard, strm Pretorian, Boston. St. John, Dec. 21—Ard, strm Pretorian, Boston. Philadelphia via St. John's (NF) and Halifax for Philadelphia.

FOREIGN PORTS Calais, Dec. 19—Ard, schr. Abbie C. Stubbs, from New York; Seth W. Smith, to New York. St. John, Dec. 19—Ard, schr. Minnie Slauson, St. John to load for New York. Sunderland, RI, Dec. 21—Schr. S. A. Fowles, Wickford, for St. John. Calais, Dec. 21—Ard, schr. Ann J. Trainor, New York.

ROCKLAND, Dec. 21—Ard, schr. Chas. H. Sprague, St. George for Norfolk. Vineyard Haven, Dec. 21—Ard and cid, schr. Albert, Philadelphia for Liverpool (N.S.).

St. John, Dec. 21—Ard, strm Pretorian, Boston. St. John, Dec. 21—Ard, strm Pretorian, Boston. Philadelphia via St. John's (NF) and Halifax for Philadelphia.

SAILINGS TO ST. JOHN: Melville, Port Natal, Nov. 30. Bray Head, Greenock, Dec. 2. Manchester Mariner, Manchester Dec. 6. Sardinian, Hava, Dec. 10. Parthena, Glasgow, Dec. 11. Glenarr Head, Ardrossan, Dec. 11. Sienandots, London, Dec. 12. Karen, Havana via Boston, Dec. 12. Mount Temple, Antwerp, Dec. 15. Constant, Liverpool, Dec. 17. Pythia, Glasgow, Dec. 18. Manchester Importer, Manchester, Dec. 18. Glenarr Head, Belfast, Dec. 22. Sienandots, London, Dec. 22. Karen, Havana via Boston, Dec. 22. Mount Temple, Antwerp, Dec. 23. Empress of Ireland, Liverpool, Dec. 31.

VESSLS IN PORT. Steamers: Athena, 5523, R. Reford Co. Benin, 2783, J. H. Seammell Co. Bertha, 1067, Wm Thomson & Co. Lake Michigan, 6360, C. P. R. Co. Lake Champlain, 4714, C. P. R. Co. Pesadun, 113, C. M. Kerrison. Tunisian, 6802, Wm Thomson & Co. Schooners: Adams, 318, A. Cushing & Co. Hancock, 278, J. H. Seammell Co. Arthur J. Parker, 118, J. W. McAlary. C. J. Colwell, 82, C. M. Kerrison. Cora May, 117, N. C. Scott. Gladys, 123, J. W. Smith. Jennie A. Stubbis, 169, master. Katherine V. Mill, 216, J. A. Lately. Lotus, 188, C. M. Kerrison. Monica, 384, P. McIntyre. Oriole, 124, J. Spence & Co. R. Bonney, 378, E. C. Elkin. Rewa, 122, D. J. Purdy. Romeo, 111, P. McIntyre. Rescue, 277, C. M. Kerrison. Stella, 183, J. W. Smith. Tex, 124, P. McIntyre. T. W. Cooper, 109, A. W. Adams. Virginia, 99, J. W. Smith. W. H. Waters, 120, A. W. Adams. (See also Page 3)

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES The hearing in the coal conspiracy case at Halifax was continued yesterday, when W. F. Buley, Hiram B. Don King and Geo. E. Franklin gave evidence regarding prices paid for coal and contracts made.

The complaint of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association regarding the proposed alteration in charges by the Telegraph Companies for code messages will be heard in Ottawa today at 10 a.m. H. E. Read telegrams from the Boards of Trade of London, Hamilton, St. John, and Halifax protesting against the proposed changes.

Twenty-seven motorists alleged to be involved in "steep truck" smuggling methods at New York have been indicted by the grand jury and their arrests will follow. Several arrests have already been made.

An investigation in Moncton has revealed the fact that a Chinese laundryman has been tapping the electric light wires there for power for heating purposes. He made a settlement by paying \$38.

William Ellingwood, of Montreal, shot himself yesterday and is now lying at the point of death in the Montreal hospital. A love affair is believed to be the cause.

A bill has been introduced in the U. S. congress to increase the head tax on immigrants from \$4 to \$10. Two men were buried to death in a factory in Brooklyn yesterday.

Frank Maher, a ship laborer, aged 35 years, was killed at Calais yesterday by being struck with a coal bucket while unloading a vessel.

Montreal yesterday voted by a majority of 285 for the establishment of a civic clearing plant, which \$2,000,000 may be borrowed.

Lumber, piling, etc. \$49,774. Foundation and embankment work, etc. 17,439. Masonry, etc. 226,469. Steel and other expenses 444,413. Land 21,000. Total 809,095.

This estimate is close to the real cost of construction and as will be seen is made the sum which the city has legislative authority expended for the purpose. The report of the January meeting of the city council will probably be referred to general committee of the whole and the city's action will be awaited with much interest.

At the Dominion exhibition here it is hoped to have an airship and to have exhibitions of manufacturing.

AMUSEMENTS

NICKEL Santa Claus New Show BRING THE CHILDREN TO THE SANTA CLAUS MATINEES. St. Nick comes down the chimney and visits audience.

"A CORNER IN WHEAT" Magnificent Biograph film. "THE FEMALE REPORTER," Comedy "AN AMATEUR HOLD-UP," Comedy. "THE AIRSHIP DESTROYER" TODAY. "AND BATTLE OF BRITISH BLUEJACKETS" WED.

NELLIE LEAVITT, Soprano. MASTER PACKER, Tenor. CONTINUOUS CONCERT BY ORCHESTRA! ONLY THREE DAYS TO RETURN COUPONS

PAYTON and WILSON Colored and Dancing Comedians. ARTHUR K. FURLONG In Lauder Imitations.

COUNCIL MAY TAKE UP BRIDGE MATTER NEXT

Cost Need Not Exceed \$750,000—Report Prepared—Details of an Approximate Estimate

It is more than likely that the Navy Island bridge will receive attention at the January meeting of the council as the committee which has the project in hand has secured much data which will be of value to the council in its consideration of the matter. The information secured has been embodied in an exhaustive report which, of course, cannot be made public at present, but in conversation with those who have looked carefully into the whole question, the Telegraph learns that a bridge could be constructed across the harbor at a cost of less than \$750,000; that the undertaking presents no large engineering difficulties and that the bridge when constructed will be of enormous value. It is also learned that the draw which the bridge must contain and which opponents of the plan claim will cause much delay to traffic will in reality interfere so little with traffic as to make this objection practically negligible.

The bridge and its approaches will probably be located as follows: On the city side of the harbor its approach will start at the intersection of Snythe and Mill streets almost following the present Lowry wharf approach and crossing several of the I. C. R. tracks leading to the deep water terminus at Long wharf. For a short distance it will parallel the right of way of the railway and railway company's property. The bridge will cross the channel to the northerly shore of Navy Island at a location just below the Rapid weir. Crossing the island it will pass over the highest part of the reef connecting the island to the Old Port beach. From the Old Port beach it will cross leading to Union street or swing to the left to make a connection with Middle Street. Either line would be practicable.

The original intention was to make the bridge a two-decker and as far as known this has not been changed. The steam rail way track and two street car tracks will be on the lower floor while pedestrians and teams will be accommodated above the roadway, being 22 feet wide and the sidewalk eight feet. This upper floor will be 25 feet above the lower floor and it is estimated that an approach of 750 feet on either side will be sufficient to secure a reasonable gradient. The bridge, however, can be built all on one level if desired, but would of necessity be wider. In connection with the detail of construction of a two-deck bridge there is a plan to do away with the longest crossing for teams and pedestrians should be thought desirable.

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One of the most important points in connection with the bridge plan and a point which the committee hopes to bring out clearly is that the draw in the bridge will cause very little delay. At the site of the draw the river is used by vessels of each size to necessitate the opening of the draw for about half an hour twice a day at the slack water of each tide. It is estimated that a tug and her tow occupying 300 feet of space would clear the site of the draw in only a minute—proceeding at a speed of four miles an hour while the regular speed is nearer to six or eight miles per hour. The draw, it is claimed, can be opened in thirty seconds and closed in similar time, so that more than two minutes at each passage. This delay could not be at the utmost for the purpose of the bridge.

It will be seen then that the slight delay will occur only at stated times each day and will not be more serious than is frequently entered into the necessary closing of the gates in front of the I. C. R. station. The draw will have an opening of about 150 feet for masts or funnels of vessels and 400 feet for screws or hulls sixteen feet high at slack water. The cost of the bridge is estimated to be less than \$750,000. An approximate estimate which has been secured shows as follows:

Lumber, piling, etc. \$49,774. Foundation and embankment work, etc. 17,439. Masonry, etc. 226,469. Steel and other expenses 444,413. Land 21,000. Total 809,095.

This estimate is close to the real cost of construction and as will be seen is made the sum which the city has legislative authority expended for the purpose. The report of the January meeting of the city council will probably be referred to general committee of the whole and the city's action will be awaited with much interest.

At the Dominion exhibition here it is hoped to have an airship and to have exhibitions of manufacturing.

Queen's Rink OPEN FOR SEASON SEASON TICKET PRICES Children \$1.00 Ladies' \$2.00 Gentlemen \$2.00 Single Admission Ladies and Children 15c Gentlemen 25c E. J. Armstrong, mgr. Phone 720

Return Engagement of The Popular ROBINSON OPERA CO. Opening Christmas Day . . . Afternoon—Mikado Evening—The Show Girl Seats Now on Sale DON'T FAIL TO SEE Tonight's Opening Bill AT THE GEM WATERLOO ST. The Newest and Best Picture House in St. John. Four Strong Subjects for Tonight's Bill AND Thomas Baker in songs.

CANADIAN PACIFIC CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS LOWEST ONE-WAY FIRST-CLASS FARE FOR ROUND TRIP. Going Dec. 21, 1919, to Jan. 1, 1920, inclusive, good for return until Jan. 3, 1920. Between all stations on Atlantic Division and Eastern Division to and including Montreal. To Stations West of Montreal. Lowest ONE-WAY FIRST-CLASS FARE for return until Dec. 21, 1919. Also on Dec. 31, 1919, and Jan. 1, 1920, good for return until Jan. 3, 1920. Lowest One-Way First-Class Fare and One-Third from Montreal—Treat. Dec. 23, 24, 25; also Dec. 29, 30, 31, 1919, and Jan. 1, 1920, good for return until Jan. 3, 1920. Full particulars on application to W. B. HOWARD, D.P.A., C. P. R. ST. JOHN, N.B.

Holiday Fares INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY FOR Christmas and New Year. FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE Between all stations on the line. Going Dec. 21 to Jan. 1, inclusive. Returning until Jan. 3rd, 1920. To stations beyond Montreal. (Going Dec. 24, 25. Returning until Dec. 27, 1919.) Going Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Returning until Jan. 3, 1920. FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE TO MONTEAL, ADDED TO FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE AND ONE-THIRD BEYOND. (Going Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1, 1920. Returning until Jan. 5, 1920. Territories—Detroit, Mich., Port Huron, Mich., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Port Arthur, Ont., and points in Canada east thereof.)

NEARLY EVERYBODY READS THE TIMES AND ALL READ WANT ADS.

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1909

DISSOLUTION SALE

\$40,000 Worth of Valuable Merchandise

To Be Sacrificed Before January 1st, 1910

Stores Open Every Night Till 10 o'clock

SALE OPENS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17th

Wilcox Bros. of Market Square and Dock Street have dissolved partnership, to take effect January 1st, 1910, and have decided to place their entire stock of valuable up-to-date merchandise on sale at less than wholesale prices, as they wish to reduce their stock to the very lowest point possible before that date.

The greatest opportunity ever offered the people of St. John to buy seasonable goods at less than wholesale prices.

REMEMBER---This is not a sale of remnants or shop-worn goods, but a genuine sale of up-to-date merchandise.

Christmas buyers desiring useful as well as ornamental gifts will find it greatly to their advantage to attend this sale.

In Men's Clothing Dept.

- 200 Dozen Men's \$1.00 White Dress Shirts, Sale Price 69c.
- 96 Dozen Men's White Handkerchiefs, at 3c. each
- 40 Dozen Men's 50c. Hand Knit Gloves. Sale Price 29c.
- 100 Dozen Men's 25c. Braces. Sale Price 19c.
- Men's \$15.00 Overcoats. Sale Price \$9.98
- Men's \$14.00 English Tourist Overcoats. Sale Price \$9.98
- Men's \$10.00 Fancy Tweed Overcoats. Sale Price \$6.48
- Men's \$15.00 Progress Brand Suits. Sale Price \$9.98
- Men's \$10.00 Raincoats. Sale Price \$6.48
- 500 Pairs Men's \$5.00 Fancy Worsted Pants. Sale Price \$3.48
- Men's Sweaters, Coat Sweaters and Cardigan Jackets from 98c. to \$2.50

Shoe Department



- Men's \$5.00 Velour Calf Oxfords \$2.98
- Men's \$5.00 Pat. Oxfords. \$2.98
- Men's \$5.00 Tan Oxfords. \$2.98
- Men's \$5.50 Box Calf, Felt Lined. \$3.98
- Footwear for Men and Women, from 98c. to \$7.00

Ground Floor—Ladies' Dept.

- Plain and Fancy Cashmere for Children's Dresses, regular price 50c. Sale Price 39c.
- Plain and Fancy Serges for Children's Dresses, regular price 50c. Sale Price 39c.

- Fancy Checks and Tartan Plaids for Dresses or Waists, price 50c. Sale Price 40c.
- Shaker Flannel, all shades, 32 inches wide, regular price 14c. Sale Price 10c.
- Shaker Flannel, all shades, 32 inches wide, regular price 11c. Sale Price 7c.
- Irish Manufactured Table Linen, 64 inches wide, regular price 50c. Sale Price 39c.
- Irish Manufactured Table Linen, 54 inches wide, regular price 40c. Sale Price 30c.
- Table Cloths, all sizes from 59c. to \$2.75
- 300 Ladies' Wrappers, all shades and sizes, worth from \$1.25 to \$1.75. To Clear 98c.
- Ladies' All-Wool Llama Hose, worth 50c. Sale Price 40c.
- Ladies' All-Wool Llama Hose, worth 40c. Sale Price 30c.
- Ladies' All-Wool Plain and Rib Cashmere Hose, worth 30c. Sale Price 20c.
- Ladies' Silk Underskirts, worth \$7.00. Sale Price \$4.50
- Ladies' Silk Underskirts, worth \$5.50. Sale Price \$3.75
- Ladies' Silk Underskirts, worth \$4.50. Sale Price \$2.98
- Ladies' Moirette Underskirts, all colors, worth \$1.50. Sale Price \$1.10
- Ladies' Heatherbloom Underskirts, all colors, worth \$1.50 Sale Price \$1.10
- Ladies' Heatherbloom Underskirts, all colors, worth \$2.50 Sale Price \$1.75
- Children's Dresses, from 50c. to \$6.50
- Ladies' Corsets, D. and A.—P. C. and E. T. Corsets, prices from 39c. to \$3.00
- Ladies' White Underskirts, from 75c. to \$7.50
- Ladies' Corset Covers, from 25c. to \$2.25
- Ladies' Silk Waists, regular \$6.00. Sale Price \$4.50

- Ladies' Silk Waists, regular \$5.00. Sale Price \$3.75
- Ladies' Silk Waists, regular \$4.50. Sale Price \$3.00
- Ladies' Silk Waists, regular \$3.75. Sale Price \$2.98
- Ladies' Net Waists, Silk Lined, regular \$7.00. Sale Price \$5.50
- Ladies' Net Waists, Silk Lined, regular \$6.00. Sale Price \$4.50
- Ladies' Net Waists, Silk Lined, regular \$5.25. Sale Price \$4.00
- Ladies' Net Waists, Silk Lined, regular \$4.50. Sale Price \$3.98
- Silverware of all kinds.
- Ladies' Furs in Mink, Mink Marmot, Grey Squirrel, Opposom, Marten, Fox, White Thibet and others. Fancy Work Baskets, Dressing Cases, Manicure Sets, Smoking Sets, Jewelry of all kinds, all marked in plain figures.

In Hat Department

- The Great \$3.00 King Hats, Sale Price \$1.98
- Men's \$2.50 Stetson Shape Softs, Sale Price \$1.48
- Men's \$2.00 Hard Hats, latest shapes, \$1.98
- Men's \$2.00 Pocket Hats. 98c.
- Men's Caps, from 49c. to \$1.50



Cloak Department

- Ladies' \$30.00 Coats and Suits, all this season's goods for . . \$15.00
- Ladies' \$20.00 Coats and Suits, all this season's goods, for . . \$10.00
- Ladies' \$15.00 Coats and Suits, all this season's goods, for . . \$7.50
- Ladies' \$10.00 Coats and Suits, all this season's goods, for . . \$6.75
- Ladies' Skirts, all shades and styles, from \$1.98 to \$12.00
- Ladies' Hats at Your Own Prices.

WILCOX BROS., Cor. Dock St. and Market Sq.

MILLIONS SAVED FROM THE OCEAN

Life Saving Superintendent Reports on Year's Work 1,376 DISASTERS

Seventy-Two Ships and Thirty Lives Lost—Instances of Life Saving—Recue of Woman Being Thrust Over Cliff

Washington, Dec. 22.—The general superintendent of the life saving service has transmitted to the secretary of the treasury the report of the operations of his bureau for the year ended June 30, 1909.

The report states that the record of marine casualties within the scope of the life saving establishment during the period mentioned is more noteworthy than for any previous year in the large number of vessels involved in the low percentage of life lost in comparison both with the number of disasters and the number of persons imperiled.

The number of disasters to documented vessels reported within the year by life saving stations was 459. There were on board these vessels 877 persons, of whom eight were lost.

There also occurred within the year 617 casualties to undocumented craft—sailboats, launches, rowboats, etc.—carrying 222 persons, of whom 27 were lost.

The life saving crew succeeded at the stations 613 victims of shipwreck and of boating accidents, of total of 1859 days relief being furnished.

Other Life Savings While it is primarily the province of the service to save and succor the shipwrecked, a considerable number of persons are connected with vessels and usually rescued from various situations of danger.

There were 100 persons thus imperiled during the past year. Thirty-three of these were bathers and swimmers, 20 had accidentally fallen from piers, etc., 47 were trapped on breakwaters, rocks, trestles and other exposed places by rising tides.

gical attention at the hands of the station crew. Of these, 48 were ill, and 32 had been injured.

The life-saving crews were called upon during the year to assist in the recovery of considerable miscellaneous property, consisting of articles lost overboard from vessels or swept away by the sea.

Miscellaneous Work Assistance at fires was afforded upon 64 occasions, involving, all told, 148 dwellings, forests, brush and grass in 23 instances.

The general superintendent commends upon the extension of the scope of life-saving operations brought about by the use of power lifeboats on the various coasts of the country.

MORNING LOCALS The North End fire department answered a call to Rockland road last night and extinguished a fire which was caused by a bird's nest which had become dry.

At a meeting of the Y. P. S. of St. Luke's church last night the following officers were elected: President, W. J. Howes; secretary, Mrs. J. E. Purdy; treasurer, Charles Day; convener of the biblical committee, John Knight; convener of the musical and literary committee, Miss Ada Moore; convener of the debating committee, Howard Barstow.

The members of the Salvation Army expect to feed 600 people on Christmas day, and they are, therefore, asking for the generous support of the citizens in helping keep the "pots a-bubbling." Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

THE INWARD EFFECTS of humors are worse than the outward. They endanger the whole system. Hood's Sarsaparilla eradicates all humors, cures all their inward and outward effects.

FRUIT—Our Fruit Department contains everything possible to obtain at this season. Figs, Raisins, Nuts, Apples, Oranges, Lemons, Grapes, Pears, Grape Fruit, Cranberries, Pineapples, etc., etc.

LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM AND THE ENORMOUS PROFITS IN THE CONGO

Responsible politicians here believe that the colonial minister's project for a four million pound loan for the Congo will cause a political crisis in Belgium.

For the crime of the Congo is the crime of King Leopold alone. The Belgian Nation until recently knew as little of the long tragedy that was being enacted as the English press was almost untouched by the pollution of the royal press bureau.

The profits How much money King Leopold has made out of the Congo no one outside his little circle knows. The limits of his spoils can never be traced, for the ramifications of the system were so widespread.

COOK'S UNIVERSITY DEGREE MAY BE WITHDRAWN Staunch Friends Give up and Declare Him Imposter—He Made About \$100,000

Copenhagen, Dec. 21.—The newspapers attack Dr. F. A. Cook and severely reproach him for hiding, which they regard as a sign of a guilty conscience.

Preparations For the next few years the country was being filled with arms, an army was being raised and drilled by European officers, and a railway was being built.

THE UNIVERSITY would not call me at first because I was one of Dr. Cook's strongest supporters. Later, however, I was invited to the investigation and when I saw the observations I realized it was a scandal.

DR. COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS

I'LL CURE YOU OR YOU NEED NOT PAY

Electricity is the Source of Physical and Mental Energy

DR. McLAUGHLIN'S ELECTRIC BELT

Dear Sir—I have had your Belt for two months, and am glad to say that I am improving every day. My back was sore from the constant strain, now the pain is all gone.

CHRISTMAS STAMP CAMPAIGN THE 1909 BATTLE AGAINST THE DREAD WHITE PLAGUE

Available Beds in the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives Increased Three-Fold as a Result of Last Year's Sale of Christmas Stamps.

STIMULATED BY the success of a year ago the National Sanitarium Association have made large preparations for the sale of the Christmas Stamp of 1909.

DR. COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS COOK'S KIDNEY PILLS

Grand Reduction Sale Save Your Money and Buy at Chas. F. Francis & Co

Tons of Confectionery for Xmas, something to please all. Large stock of specially assorted 5 lb. boxes from 75 cents upwards.

COSAQUES! COSAQUES! COSAQUES! Thousands of dozens, including a few dozen especially adapted for table decoration.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS Have Secured a job lot to close. We are selling them from 5 cents to \$2.00

FRUIT—Our Fruit Department contains everything possible to obtain at this season. Figs, Raisins, Nuts, Apples, Oranges, Lemons, Grapes, Pears, Grape Fruit, Cranberries, Pineapples, etc., etc.

C. F. FRANCIS & CO. 141 Charlotte Street, Cor. Princess.

C. F. FRANCIS & CO. 72 Mill Street, Near Union Depot

Advertisement for Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt, featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing the benefits of electricity for physical and mental energy.

Advertisement for Cook's University Degree, featuring a portrait of Dr. F. A. Cook and text detailing the university's operations and the withdrawal of its degree.

Advertisement for Dodds' Kidney Pills, featuring an illustration of the product box and text describing its effectiveness for kidney ailments.

Advertisement for Chas. F. Francis & Co. Grand Reduction Sale, featuring text about confectionery, Christmas stockings, and fruit.

STOCK NOW SELLING

At the UNION STORE 223 Union Street, City

ENTIRE STOCK MARKED TO EFFECT A SPEEDY CLEARANCE

This Stock Consists of

Men's, Women's and Children's Ready-to-Wear Clothing, Furnishings and Staple Dry Goods

XMAS BUYERS

Here is a Chance to Buy Useful Gifts

TO BATTLE FOR THE CANADIAN FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Billy Allen and Tommy Rawson to Meet Tonight— Bout at Glace Bay—Lynch Should Rule Well— Hockey, Bowling and General Sport

Tommy Rawson, a featherweight from Boston will meet Billy Allen of Ottawa tonight at the Victoria Armory, in Montreal for the featherweight championship of Canada.

A boxing bout is to be held at Glace Bay on Christmas Day between Kid O'Neil and Jack Ling of Reserve.

James J. Jeffries will put in the preliminary stages of his training for his bout with Jack Johnson in the heart of the Sierras, at the camp occupied by James J. Corbett, when the latter was preparing for his fight at Carson City with Bob Fitzsimmons.

Sam Langford has been matched to fight the Dixie Kid in Memphis on January 1st, according to an announcement by promoters who have guaranteed three matches with colored opponents to follow for Langford.

A new athletic club, in which boxing will be one of the leading features, was organized in Boston on Sunday. It is known as the American Athletic Club and will be located within a minute's walk of Washington street.

Police Inspector Dennis Sweeney of New York got a tip late Saturday night that prize fights were being engaged in at clubhouses of the National A. C. Williamsburg. With a force of men Sweeney went there and "killed" Hogan and Kid Dillon, who were showing the members of the club what they knew about the many art of self-defence. The policemen took charge Joseph McKee, Fred Powell, Thomas Purcell, Joseph Howard and Henry Lutz, who acted as referee, timekeeper and seconds.

Frank Klaus of Pittsburgh won the decision over Jim Flynn of Boston in twelve rounds of hard fighting in Boston last night.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 21—Fugilism revived in Milwaukee tonight after a lapse of more than a year. The star bout of the evening was a ten-round go between Bob Moha of Milwaukee and Harry Mansfield of England, waterweights. No decision was given. Both were strong at the finish, but Moha seemed to have a shade the better on points.

Hockey

Monday's Montreal Herald says: The All-Montreal team were out this morning for a secret practice at the arena between 11 and 12 o'clock. Art Ross was out and along with him were Paddy Moran, Marisa, late of Brandon; Norman, a star forward from the Montreal N. B. club; Cook, of the Cochrane, of Waterloo; Tyro, a Lancaster, Ont., player, and half a dozen others who are being tried out.

Fred Taylor, who has been the storm made his first appearance of the season in an Ottawa uniform Saturday night. Spectators as to whether he would or would not be out for practice, brought out a crowd of six or seven hundred hockey bugs who broke out into a great shower of clapping when the celebrated player stepped on the surface with the rest of the Ottawa team.

Taylor will remain in Ottawa notwithstanding the fact that he has signed a contract to play with Renfrew. His Renfrew contract calls for a certain salary and a guaranteed position of \$1,200 per annum for a stipulated number of years. It was after he had signed this contract that he learned the Ottawa Hockey Club had done for him what it promised to do and that is why Taylor decided to remain in the capital. Renfrew hockey moguls declare they will make Taylor come up to the scratch with the contract they hold. So it looks as if the law may be called in to play a very important part of the hockey year.

St. John hockey players had their first practice of the season in the Queen's rink last night; among those turning out being Phalen of Montreal fame, McAvity and Paterson. Prospects for a New Brunswick league are said to be poor, and this is to be regretted, as the chances are the local team will be fast this year.

(Moncton Transcript.)

That Chester Gregory will make good on the Renfrew, Ont., hockey team is the opinion of Mr. J. C. Lithgow, ex-President of the M.P.A.A.A., who was a passenger through Moncton this morning on the Maritime Express en route to Halifax after a trip to New York, Toronto and Montreal. Mr. Lithgow has been away nearly two months and spent the past few weeks in Montreal. While in Montreal he met Gregory at the time the local man signed the contract, with M. J. O'Brien to play with the Renfrew team. "I think Chester will make good," said Mr. Lithgow to a Transcript reporter at the depot this morning. "He has lots of speed and certainly can handle the stick. Of course if he does not make good it will be his own fault, but I think he will be a star on the hockey down this way."

Asked what chances Cork Norman had

with the All-Montreal team, Mr. Lithgow was rather loth to pass an opinion. "He may do," said Mr. Lithgow, "but you can't tell."

During the conversation between Mr. Lithgow and the reporter, reference was made to Thomas Kennedy of Moncton who is trying to get reinstated in time for the hockey season. Kennedy was suspended because he went to St. John at the latter part of the summer and played under an assumed name against the Marathons for the provincial championship and from what Mr. Lithgow had to say, Kennedy's chances for getting on good standing again are very slim. "Kennedy deliberately went to St. John and played against the Marathons," said the ex-President of the M.P.A.A.A., "and I can see no way in which he can get reinstated. I will oppose it. He may say that he did not know that they were putting him on the lineup as Hall, but I have proof that he did know it."

Those who know Lynch best predict for him a brilliant future as chief of the National League.

Lynch gained his baseball knowledge as an umpire. He never signed a contract as a player, but he has always been considered one of the best arbiters of the game has seen. He was a disciplinarian of the most rigid type. He never addressed a player without the prefix "Mr." and insisted on like courtesy by the players.

Lynch umpired at a time when practically no protection was furnished the officials, and consequently is as well qualified to maintain discipline in the league as any man in baseball today.

A tip is going the rounds that Jimmy Sheekard may be the Phillies' new manager. Sheekard is said to be in the price and Heinz Zimmerman is to be included in the deal by Chicago for good measure.

The "substantial increase" granted John Heydler in his new-old job as secretary-treasurer of the National League is reported to bring his salary up to \$7,000 a year.

"White Sox" Frank Labell has purchased the interest of his partner in the Wichita, Western League team, and will quit Chicago for the managerial job. He wants to play on his own club and has asked Hughie Duffey for his unconditional release.

Curling

The Thistle Curlers held a meeting in their rooms, Golding street, last evening. A large number being present. Eight new members were received into the club as follows: R. M. Sippell, E. P. Howard, Donald Cameron, Joseph Maxwell, G. W. Ewart, George T. Polly, Harold Irvine, Bruce McPherson.

On account of the condition of the ice the game which was to have been played yesterday was postponed, and it was decided last evening that the first match would be on Christmas afternoon, when the president's and vice-president's teams would try conclusions. The club expects to have many new members this year, and everything points to this season being a banner one.

It may be that St. John will become the seat of the maritime provinces bonspiel, which for several seasons has been held at Amherst. The Chignecto Curling Club, under whose auspices the bonspiel has been held in the past, has communicated with the local curling clubs with the view to having them assume the responsibility of holding the bonspiel in future.

Bowling

The Printers' Bowling League was finished yesterday afternoon, when the Standard and Sun teams played, each securing two points. This gives the Standard and Sun teams the championship of the league. Mullins of the Sun is the winner of the box of cigars donated by Robert J. Armstrong for the person securing the highest average.

Another league will be started by the printers commencing on the third of January, when a silver cup will be the trophy. The following is the score of yesterday's game:

	Sun.	Total.	Avg.
Morrissey	72	69	78
McManus	77	73	89

AMUSEMENTS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

SANTA CLAUS AND NEW SHOW AT NICKEL

The Nickel's Kris Kringle matinee with the arrival of Santa Claus down the chimney are the talk of the town. Yesterday over a thousand little ones tittered and jumped with delight as the good old saint of the season appeared and delivered an amusing talk to them, afterwards descending to the audience and collecting the Jingle coupons. He will go so again today at 3.15 and 3.45. It must be remembered today and Thursday, also Friday, are the last occasions for handing in the Jingle coupons. The contest closes Friday and the prize matinee will be held Dec. 28th and 29th.

The Nickel's new programme of pictures is going to be fine today. There is another of those social-commercial Biograph dramas entitled "A Boy in Wheat," in other words a dramatization of Frank Morris' great story, "The Ocelot." There will be two western comedies, "The Female Reporter" and "An Amateur Hold-up," whilst the English novelty, "The Airship Destroyer," is to be repeated. Master Packer and Miss Leavitt will conclude with their present songs and tomorrow will have new ones. There is to be another special reel tomorrow, A Last State of British Blue-jackets. Christmas day the Nickel will open, starting at 10 a. m.

Robinson Opera Co. XMAS DAY. Pretty chorus girls, funny comedians, a well-balanced lot of principals, make up the cast of the Robinson Opera Company, which will open a re-arranged engagement at the Opera House on Christmas Day, in a matinee bill of "The Mikado."

The Mikado is one of the best and most useful of Gilbert & Sullivan's comic operas, and is considered one of the best in the repertoire of the Robinson Opera Company.

Since they were last here, this excellent aggregation has played a most successful engagement in St. John's, Nfld., where they received great praise for their excellent work, also in Sydney and Halifax, where they were considered as the best of the next two weeks.

THE QUEEN'S RINK

No matter what else people give a girl or boy this year, there will be one thing lacking if a ticket for the Queen's Rink Christmas tree. This year will be the children's year at the ever popular Queen's rink, and the attendance of little ones is expected to be the largest in its history. The advance sale has been a surprise to the management, in return for such generous encouragement no pains will be spared to make the season a particularly enjoyable one.

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The Times does not get its largest sale through newsboys. It is delivered at the homes. That is the kind of circulation which is of value to advertisers.

THIS EVENING

Santa Claus, moving pictures, Master Charles Parker and other features at the Nickel.
Motion pictures and illustrated songs at the Star, north end.
Ice skating at Victoria Rink.
Queens' Rink open for skating.
Concert in Seaman's Institute by Pierrot Troupe of R. M. S. Tunnison.

LOCAL NEWS

A pair of spectacles found in Charlottetown street may be had at the office of the chief of police.

A useful wall calendar has been received from Geo. O. Dickson City, general agent of the Law Union & Rock Ins. Co., Ltd.

Norwegian steamer Karen, Captain Pedersen, arrived at R. Reford Co. today from Boston and Havana to load for Havana.

B. B. Hardwick, of Annapolis, one of the best known travellers among the commercial men, was at the Victoria yesterday on his way home for Christmas, after a long business trip.

On Sunday last E. M. Sipprell, teacher in the Order of the Brotherhood in Victoria street Baptist Church, received a handsome and costly travelling bag, with his monogram engraved in gold letters, from the members of the order. The presentation was made in recognition of the many services he has rendered while instructor.

C. P. R. steamship Lake Michigan, Captain Troop, sailed this morning at 8 o'clock for London and Antwerp via Halifax. She took twenty-five passengers here and about 100 more will join the ship at Halifax. The Michigan took away a full cargo, including 435 cattle.

For the convenience of the general public, Hon. A. T. Dunn, collector of customs, has given orders that the parcel post at the post office be kept open till 11 o'clock on the nights of the 23rd and 24th for the delivery of Christmas parcels; also on Xmas day till 12 o'clock.

The funeral of Miss Amelia A. Northrup was held yesterday morning from her late residence, Kingston, Kings county. The body was taken to the church burial ground in Trinity churchyard, where Rev. H. S. Wainwright officiated at the services. The pallbearers were: C. Peters, L. Belyea, A. Padlock and R. Foster. H. E. Northrup, of this city, a brother of the deceased, returned yesterday from Kingston.

In the Inter-Society bowling league tonight the Knights of Columbus will play the I. L. & B. Society and Holy Trinity will play the C. M. B. A. If they defeat the C. M. B. A. tonight, Holy Trinity team will win the league. If they lose they will tie with the former for the honor. Tonight will also be the last opportunity to win the pipe for the highest individual average which is at present held by Walter Harris.

British steamship Teodora de Larrinaga, Captain Bess, sailed this morning for Boston and New York to load for the River Plate. Thomson line steamship Bertha (Nor), Captain Anamorth, sailed today for Havana, with a large general cargo, consisting of potatoes, oats, lumber, etc. South Africa Elder-Dompteur line steamship Benin, Captain Cole, has cleared for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban and Port Natal, with a large cargo, consisting of flour, machinery, etc. The steamer will go direct.

CHRISTMAS

TRADE IS GOOD SAY MERCHANTS

Several merchants speaking of the Christmas trade this year, stated yesterday that it has been most satisfactory and the general expectation is that the volume of business will considerably exceed that done in the past few years.

Every day, for the past few weeks, the stores have been thronged with buyers, but as many "put it off" until the last, and as only very few stores will close before Christmas, the rush is likely to be greater than ever. Almost all the stores will be open tonight, Thursday and Friday, and clerks will be kept busy supplying the wants of the shoppers.

SEEGE WILL APPEAL

Land Case to Be Taken to Higher Court After Christmas, He Says

John A. Seege, the defendant in the recent land dispute in which the Turnbull Real Estate Co. was the plaintiff, said this morning that through his lawyer, Dr. J. A. Curry, he was going to appeal from the decision given by Judge Ritchie in the police court, and have the case taken before Judge Forbes in the county court, a little after Christmas.

Mr. Seege still contends that the property which was under dispute, is his by right of pioneer settlement, and says he will try to recover it in a higher court.
N. W. BROWN WILL SPEAK
Many persons in different parts of Canada are taking advantage of the Canadian system of old age annuities. St. John people will have an opportunity to learn all about this system next Monday evening, when N. W. Brown, government lecturer, will speak in the Every Day Club hall, Union street, and fully explain the subject. Mr. Brown is a very interesting speaker and should be greeted by a full house. The meeting will be free to all.

MAIL RUSH FAR AHEAD OF OTHER YEARS

Forty Per Cent. Increase—Six Extra Carriers on the Route Today

Six extra men are assisting the regular carriers today in distributing the mails about the city and thirteen extra men are assisting the post office staff in sorting the record breaking accumulation of mail matter that has piled in for Christmas.

Last week there was an increase of about 25 per cent over the same week last year, and this week the increase has amounted thus far to about 40 per cent. The employees are kept busy well into the night to keep up with the work.

It is expected that several teams will have to be secured for a few days to carry around the large number of parcels that are coming in from all over the country. To assist the staff at the post office an arrangement has been made whereby the mails for New Brunswick points from the United States are sorted in the new postal room of the Union depot. If some such arrangement had not been made the work in the post office would be very much congested.

One of the officials at the post office today referred to the fact that many people here are sending to Great Britain and other European ports post cards which are dusted with mica or other rough material. These cards, he said, are not allowed to go through the mails to these places and many have been thrown aside to be returned to the senders, if they are known, or if not they will be destroyed. If enclosed in an envelope and sufficient postage is affixed, they would go through all right.

English mails via New York will close tomorrow and will go from New York on Friday, reaching the old country in time for New Year's.

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XMAS TREES STOLEN FROM KING SQ. LOT

Here's a Fine Spirit for the Happy Season—One Dealer Loses More Than Twenty

In many homes in St. John the opinion prevails that without a tree Christmas day loses much of its attractiveness. But it would seem from the statements made by one of the "tree merchants" in King Square that some people have but little scruples as to the manner or place in which to get their Christmas trees.

On Sunday evening last almost forty trees disappeared from the long lines along the side of the square, and their owners are at a loss to know their present whereabouts. A number of them belonged to a young man named Morrill, he counting more than twenty among the missing.

The aid of the police was invoked in the matter, but with few exceptions, those who made love to the trees, leaving no clue to their identities.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN PAYS \$8 FINE

No Worry to Namesake of the Fistic Gentlemen as He Has \$200 Roll—Police Court Today

Judge Ritchie dealt with a number of cases this morning in the police court. Morris Daley pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting his brother, James, in Bennett street on Dec. 18. The warrant was sworn out on that day and the defendant has been working on different steamers since. His brother pleaded guilty to the charge and asked that he be excused.

John Daley said that his brother had told him that he had not intended to hurt him, simply giving him a playful shove. His honor said that this yarn was rather flimsy and the defendant was fined \$8 on a charge of drunkenness.

William Lasker pleaded not guilty to using abusive language to Captain Gale on the tugboat W. H. Murray. The complaint said he did not wish to press the matter and the case was dismissed.

Henry Belyea pleaded guilty to a charge of using insulting language to John Vincent in the lobby of the Star theatre. He said he was intoxicated at the time and was not responsible for his words. He was fined \$5 and apologized to him.

Mr. Vincent said that he would like the charge withdrawn as he did not think the language would have been used if the defendant were in full possession of his senses, as he was a respectable man. The case was dismissed.

A gentleman bearing the illustrious name of John L. Sullivan forfeited a deposit of \$8 on a charge of drunkenness. He was arrested last night, and will hardly miss the greenbacks as he had a roll of a couple of hundred in his possession.

George Arsenault, a boy aged twelve, was in court, charged with trespassing on the I. C. R. wharf and stealing coal from the wharf with a small hand-cart and, seeing some pieces of coal lying about put them in his cart. I. C. R. Policeman Smith happened along and told him that he would be reported for taking the coal, and so he put it back.

Policeman Smith spoke very favorably of the lad's behaviour. He said that when he accosted the young fellow, the latter spoke very truthfully in answer to his questions. His honor said that it was not the value of the coal, but the fact of its being taken. He warned the boy about keeping away from the pier and allowed him to go as the policeman had spoken very favorably of him.

I. C. R. SPECIAL HOLIDAY SUBURBAN TRAINS ANNOUNCED

It has been decided by the Intercolonial Railway to run a special passenger train between Hampton Station and St. John for the accommodation of suburban patrons on the twenty-second, twenty-third, and twenty-fourth and thirty-first December as follows:—Leave Hampton 12.30 o'clock, arrive St. John 11.15 o'clock, returning leave St. John 22.30 o'clock, arrive Hampton 23.25.

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- FOR THE BABIES WARM SLIPPERS 48c.
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FOR BROTHER, SKATING BOOTS \$1.68 to \$2.48
FOR MOTHER, WARM SLIPPERS 48c. to \$1.18
FOR FATHER, WARM SLIPPERS 88c. to \$1.38
OR AN OVERCOAT \$3.98 to \$12.48
OR A NICE WARM, FANCY VEST, WITH KNITTED BACK, \$1.48, \$1.78, \$2.48
OR A COAT SWEATER \$1.48, \$1.78, \$2.48
OR NICE SILK TIES IN GIFT BOXES AT 25c., 35c., 50c.

Does the Boy Need an Overcoat? Here they are \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98 and \$3.98

Your friends will appreciate these useful gifts just as much at these prices and you will save the difference

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While we are putting Glenwood Ranges into homes this week we can put one in for you. It makes a useful as well as ornamental Xmas present, one that the longer you have it, the better you will enjoy it. We have several ranges to put up between this and Friday afternoon, and if you are still thinking about a Glenwood Range we would like you to order at once. The Glenwood Ranges are well spread over the city. Everyone we sell, sells another. They are made in St. John. Details of all kinds that make good Xmas presents. Store open every evening till Xmas.

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- Leather Valises \$2.75 to \$20.00
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Fitted Dressing Cases \$3.00 to \$15.00
Travelling Sets with complete fittings that roll up \$1.25 to \$12.00
Shaving Sets with Magnifying Glass \$1.75 to \$8.50
Military Brushes with or without case, two in a set \$1.00 to \$5.50
Military Brushes and Clothes Brush in fancy box 4.50 to \$6.50
Smoking Sets \$1.00 to \$5.00
Pipe Backs 75c to \$2.50
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- Ladies' Silk Hose 85c. to \$4.50
Ladies' Lisle Hose 50c. to \$1.20
Ladies' Cashmere Hose 25c. to \$1.05
Ladies' Gaiters 50c. to \$1.20
Ladies' Overstockings 30c. to 75c.
Children's Cashmere Hose 20c. to 60c.
Children's Wool Hose 20c. to 60c.
Children's Gaiters 75c. to \$1.00
Children's Overstockings 20c. to 50c.
Children's Overalls 60c. to 90c.
Ladies' Motor Veils 75c. to \$3.00
Ladies' Novelty Veils, all prices.
Hand Painted Pillows \$4.00 to \$6.00
Handkerchief and Glove Sachets, 25c. to \$2
Fancy Pin Cushions 20c. to \$1.00
Art Needlework Novelties, all prices.
Fancy Stock Collars 15c. to \$2.00
Lace Stock Collars 20c. to \$1.50
Lace Yokes 40c. to \$3.00
Lace Collars 25c. to \$5.00
Lace Sets 50c. to \$8.00
Embroidered Collars 15c. to 30c.
Fancy Bows 15c. to 35c.
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Lace Jabots 35c. to \$2.00
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