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D. R. JACK'S QUEER FELLOW-PASSENGERS

St. John Man Sailed With a Company of Mormons

THEIR NEW CRUSADE

The Telegraph's Special Correspondent Studies the Saints at Close Range—They Have a Colony in Canada, and Are an Aggressive and Powerful Sect.

Editor's Note—Mr. D. Russell Jack left St. John some weeks ago for an extended tour in Europe. He expects to go to St. Petersburg and Moscow. Mr. Jack has kindly consented to write a series of letters for The Telegraph, discussing subjects of interest. The first letter, which came to hand yesterday, is presented herewith.

(By D. Russell Jack.)

Liverpool, Dec. 8.—On Wednesday afternoon, the 20th November, the S.S. "Winifred" sailed from Boston, carrying on board about fifty-eight passengers. She had scarcely passed Boston light before it became known that there were several Mormons on board. Every man at once regarded his room-mate with suspicion, and to wonder, among other things, as to how many wives he was husband to. Each person kept from everybody else, and an unusually long time elapsed before the customary friendships were formed. Shuffle-board, whist, betting on the day's run, and the other usual pastimes of an ocean voyage were not even mentioned. The smoke-room was deserted, and the bar steward informed a chance customer that never in his life had he seen such a dry crowd.

Sheep and Goats.

On Sunday morning, service was held as usual, at which nearly all the passengers attended. Upon leaving the ship, later in the day, some of their number were much surprised to find upon the bulletin board a notice informing them that Divine service would again be held at 2.30 p. m. Those who attended the second service found about forty-eight persons present, the exercises commencing with hymn sung to the air familiarly known to many as "The Old Oaken Bucket." Then followed the communion of the Lord's Supper, of which all present, with about five exceptions, partook, water being used in place of the customary wine. Needless to say, from this time on, the sheep and the goats were clearly divided, and those of the passengers who were not of the Mormon party were soon on friendly terms with each other.

On Monday evening, the usual concert was held in the dining saloon, which was attended by all of the Mormon party, the leader, an archaeologist who had spent several years in the investigation of prehistoric ruins of ancient cities of Central and Southern America, giving a brief, but deeply interesting account of his work.

The Mormon Faith.

To return to the service. Following the communion an address on Mormonism was given, the articles of Faith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints were read, and the meeting was declared open to any who wished to speak. Two or three members availed themselves of this privilege, and the service concluded with a second hymn.

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HIS NEW OFFICE PUZZLES "BOBS"

Lord Roberts, Former Commander-in-Chief, Made Master Gunner of St. James' Park.

London, Dec. 25.—Lord Roberts, it is reported, is quite in a quandary regarding his recent appointment as master gunner of St. James' Park. The sensation in military circles was considerable, because no one had ever heard of such an appointment.

The Horse Guards, the War Office, the Lord Chamberlain's department and the office of works all profess complete ignorance on the subject. The military staff of St. James' Palace disclaim all knowledge of such a post, but a learned antiquarian in a minor government office hazarded the opinion that it was a department of the office of the keeper of the King's ornaments, an important post created simultaneously with that of keeper of the Birdseye Walk, at the time King Charles II. hung that famous promenade with bird cages, and subsequently amalgamated with that office and then, unfortunately, abolished. Rumor has it that there is a salary of £6,000 a day attached to the post of master gunner, and that the king is ordering the royal salutes to be fired on appropriate occasions.

Lord Roberts is now engaged in justifying anxious inquiries about his duties. By the way, there are only two commandants now left in St. James' Park to be fed daily.

DECLARED BOTH MEN ELECTED

Sheriff Returns Premier Peters and Opponent for Same Seat

NEW ELECTION LIKELY

Benjamin Heariz, President of Merchants' Bank, Seriously Ill—Cold Wave Strikes P. E. Island and Straits Are Filled With Heavy Ice.

Georgetown, P.E.I., Dec. 25.—(Special)—The sheriff of Kings county held court Saturday to consider the objections raised in the second district of Kings against the action of the candidates in the provincial election. The objections were dismissed and the sheriff declared Premier Peters and H. D. McEwen to have the same number of votes—515. What the outcome will be is not yet known, but it will probably mean a new election.

Benj. Heariz, president of the Merchants' Bank, P. E. Island, continues very ill, and his condition is serious. Mr. Heariz arrived home recently from California, where he had gone for the benefit of his health.

A cold wave struck the Island Christmas day, the temperature being 10 below. The straits are filled up with the heaviest ice known at this date for many years past.

FREDERICTON FLYERS ON ICE SPEEDWAY

Rev. J. H. McDonald Hand-somely Remembered by Sabbath School—Death of Charles Estey.

Fredericton, Dec. 25.—(Special)—Today was generally observed here as a public holiday, all business being suspended. The weather was fine, but rather cold for comfort out of doors.

The horse races on the ice in the afternoon attracted a large crowd of spectators, but proved rather disappointing. A regular programme had been prepared for the trotters and pacers, but the absence of Sheriff Sterling, the owner of the fastest trotter Louise M., on account of illness, rather upset arrangements.

Among the fast ones seen on the ice were McCoy's Moxey; Hugh Calder's Kromont, A. B. Edgcombe's Comber, Patty Bangs, Recorder, Colter's MacDuff, Bert Luce's Sligo, Norman Edgcombe's Killy, Harry Gibson's Corn, J. C. Allen's Lillie, Burden's Bourbon Bell, Harry McClellan's Electric, and Hugh O'Neill's Annie. There were a few spurs, but they were rather unsatisfactory from a spectators' standpoint. Kromont and Moxey appeared to have things pretty much their own way.

Rev. J. H. McDonald, rector of the Baptist church, was on Sunday afternoon presented with an address and a purse of \$100 by the members of the Sabbath school. The chairman, George W. Adams, made the presentation.

Among those who spent the holiday with relatives here are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Street, of Boston, and A. M. McMillan, Chas. H. McGinnis, of Moncton; Lewis Owens, of Charlottetown; C. Robinson, of Montreal; D. B. Winslow, W. J. Perks and Atherton Osburn, of St. John; Hay Barker, of Springfield, and John McSorley, of Detroit.

Charles Estey, one of the city's oldest residents, died at Victoria Hospital Sunday, after a few days' illness from pneumonia, aged 83. He was a veteran of the civil war and a pensioner of the United States government. Deceased was a native of Douglas and at one time carried on a milling business at Royal Road. He was unmarried. Richard A. Estey, of this city, is a nephew. The late Mr. Estey was a familiar figure about the streets for many years and was highly esteemed by his acquaintances.

TWO INJURED IN TRAIN SMASH-UP

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 25.—The Boston & Albany passenger train known as the "Governor's train," due to leave this city east bound at 9.10 a. m., was wrecked near Smith's Crossing, between Springfield and Westfield, about 9 o'clock this morning by colliding with the rear end of a hog train which was running ahead of it and which had stopped to remedy a breakdown to the engine.

The engine of the passenger train went down a steep embankment, overturned and demolished, carrying Engineer Merritt and Fireman Wheeler with it, the former crawling from the wrecked cab badly injured. His legs were badly scalded, he received bad scalp wounds and internal injuries are feared. He was taken to Mercy Hospital in this city, where it is believed he will recover. Fireman Wheeler was not much hurt.

SECOND TURBINE LINER LAUNCHED

Allan Owners Are Confident of Success of the Virginian and the Victorian

FIRST TO CROSS ATLANTIC

Every Test So Far Applied for Engines Has More Than Realized Expectations—Virginian an Improvement on Sister Ship in Speed.

London, Dec. 25.—Inquiries made at headquarters regarding the reports published in New York of unsatisfactory results obtained by the new turbine steamship Victorian on her trial show them to be quite unfounded.

It appears that the Victorian's engines are not yet on board the ship, so that they could not have been tried in the way represented in the story. Every test, moreover, which so far has been applied has been absolutely satisfactory, and has more than realized the expectations of Messrs. James and Alexander Allan, the owners.

Nothing whatever has happened to shake their belief in the turbine engines of the Victorian or of her sister ship, the Virginian, launched this week from Stephen & Sons' yard at Limehouse (Govan).

The launch of the Virginian marks a further advance in progress of the turbine as applied to ocean steamers, and the Victorian and Virginian will be the first turbine liners to cross the Atlantic.

The Virginian, which is of 11,200 tons, is the larger, and will be the faster vessel, and in every respect an improvement on anything yet built for the Allan line.

Her dimensions are 540 feet over all, 80 feet beam and 41 feet deep. She has accommodation for 1,450 passengers, of whom 470 are first class.

SOUP KITCHENS OPENED AT FALL RIVER

Much Suffering Among Strikers Notwithstanding Efforts of Charitable.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 25.—Every effort was made by the Salvation Army, the Associated Charities and benevolent people of present quality before the courts, for the striking cotton mill employees of this city a joyous Christmas. Toys of food, warm clothing and goodies were distributed, yet tonight the Salvation Army encampment said that there was much actual suffering in the city which they could not relieve.

Soup kitchens were open all day, and bread and broth were given in generous quantities. Numerous families received presents of fuel, while others were supplied with needed clothing. Three carloads came from Boston and materially assisted in the work of relief.

A large meeting was held in Salvation Army hall this afternoon and addresses of encouragement were made by President Golden, of the Textile Workers, and Charles T. Sherer, of Worcester.

SHERIFF WAITING FOR DR. CHADWICK

Husband of Notorious Woman Will Be Arrested on Arrival at New York.

New York, Dec. 25.—Sheriff Barry, of Cleveland, reached New York this afternoon from Albany and went to the Hoffman House, where he will remain until the arrival of the steamship Pretoria, which is bringing to this country Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick, of Cleveland, and his daughter, Miss Mary Chadwick.

Mr. Barry was not at all disconcerted over his inability to obtain the requisition papers from Governor Odell which will permit him to take Dr. Chadwick to Ohio.

SIBERIAN BEARS INVADE VILLAGES

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—Captain Thaing, of the steamer Harold Dowar, which has returned from the eastern coast of Siberia, tells of an invasion of the cities and villages of the Kamchatka peninsula by hundreds of starving Siberian bears. The ferocious animals, driven from the uninhabited regions of the island and for days kept the natives in a state of semi-hunger.

In Ustakamichatka, a town near the city of Petropavlovsk, 150 of the savage brutes were shot in a single day as they roamed among the houses in search of food.

REFORM UKASE OF CZAR ISSUED

Freedom of Press and Religious Liberty Are Promised

FAIR TRIAL FOR ALL

Document Gives Greatest Satisfaction to the Oppressed—Fierce Riots Erupt in Poland During Mobilization of Troops for Far East.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—Emperor Nicholas' long expected reform ukase was issued tonight. The document deals, under right heads, with practically all the subjects brought to the emperor's attention by the memorial of the Congress of Zemstvo presidents held here last month, and while not specifically pledging the government to carry out the various reforms in their entirety, as demanded by the memorial, promises that each shall be referred to the council of ministers with orders to report promptly on the fullest measures of relief which can be accorded on the various subjects.

One question not touched by the ukase is that of the constitutional assembly. Neither is the Jewish religion specifically mentioned, though freedom for all creeds or sects, whether Christian or otherwise, is among the subjects which will be dealt with.

The various subjects will be referred to committees for early report. In brief, the subjects which will be referred to committees of the council of ministers for early report are:

First—A just and equitable enforcement of existing laws, with a view to securing the harmonious administration of all the laws.

Second—Zemstvo organization, with a view to giving the widest latitude and autonomy to the various district Zemstvos, calling additional Zemstvo representatives where required and creating small Zemstvo units capable of dealing directly with the local needs of the peasants.

Third—Equality of all citizens before the law, thus touching the much mooted question of peasant equality before the courts.

Fourth—Arranging a scheme of workmen's assurance for the benefit and protection of factory workers throughout the empire.

Fifth—To secure citizens against arbitrary arrest and to accord immunity from harsh action of the police except in the case of persons known to be conspiring to commit overt acts against the stability of the state.

Sixth—The religious freedom of all subjects of the empire without respect of creed or manner of worship.

Seventh—For rescinding all unnecessary repressive laws, leaving in force only those designed for the protection of persons and for the benefit generally of subjects of the empire.

Eighth—To accord the fullest possible measure of liberty with the strictest possible restrictions.

The ukase was issued so late that its contents were not generally known until the next morning, when the various offices, till long after midnight. Among those able to express an opinion, it was considered to be a document which would have a far-reaching effect upon the interpretation given by the various committees as to the measure of liberty which it is possible to grant under the various heads named. Nature ally it has not met with the fullest wishes of the Liberals, but on the other hand it is regarded by the reactionaries as promising entirely too much in the direction of liberal reforms. It is complained, also, that there is some ambiguity of expression in the various sections of the document, which must be left to interpretation by those to whom the various reforms are entrusted.

Russians Kill 100 Japs?

Mukden, Dec. 25.—Volunteers who crossed the Shalchke river on Friday surprised a force of the enemy, killing about 100 and taking fifteen prisoners. The Russian losses were trifling.

Riots Continue in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—While the new mobilization is proceeding quietly in most places, disorders are reported to have occurred in Poland. The most serious disturbance was at Rason yesterday, where one colonel was killed and a gendarme wounded. There has also been considerable rioting at Bakhout, where 6,000 communists pulled a few houses and fruit stalls. No one, however, was killed.

American Attaches Coming Home.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—Lieut. Col. Walter S. Schuyler and Captain Carl Ketchum, the United States military attaches with General Kuropatkin's army, have arrived here, making the journey from Mukden to St. Petersburg in twenty-four days. After completing their formal calls they will leave immediately for Washington. Both officers have seen much fighting, having been present at the battles of Vafangchow, Liao Yang and Shalchke. They express satisfaction with the treatment accorded them, but as they see the front under pledge not to reveal anything they had seen, they consider it would be improper to discuss the military situation.

Cold at Truro.

Truro, N. S., Dec. 25.—(Special)—The thermometer dropped to 22 degrees below zero here this morning.

CAMPBELLTON HAS \$40,000 FIRE

Wm. Currie & Co. Sash and Door Factory Totally Destroyed

PARTIALLY INSURED

Second Mill That Same Concern Has Lost Within a Year—Christmas Trade at Dalhousie Above the Average—Smelt Fishing Poor.

Dalhousie, N. B., Dec. 25.—(Special)—The Campbellton Sash and Door Factory belonging to Wm. Currie & Co., was destroyed by fire on Christmas night together with a large quantity of prepared lumber.

The fire occurred about midnight and only a few lumber piles situated at a distance were saved. The loss of property is about \$40,000, partially insured. This is the second mill destroyed this year by fire belonging to the same firm. The last one was located at East River Crossing. The town of Campbellton will feel the last fire as at least thirty hands were employed.

The weather and roads for Christmas trade were good. Dalhousie was well supplied with meat and poultry by the Quebec farmers. Merchant trade above the average and has closed their stores today in honor of Christmas.

NEW YORK CHRISTMAS MARRIED BY MANY PATHETIC DEATHS

Women and Children Dead from Privation—Two Die in Burning Building.

New York, Dec. 25.—The celebration in New York of the glad Christmas tide was not without its pathetic features, and many sad cases came to the attention of the authorities. A neatly dressed young woman was found unconscious on a bench in Riverside Drive today. The drifting snow had partially hidden her from view. The girl died before reaching a hospital. The ambulance surgeon was of the opinion that death resulted from long exposure without nourishment. It is believed she wandered all Christmas day and night until she sank down and died in plain sight of some of the finest drives in New York.

Nine-year-old Jeanette McCoy, of East 102nd street, whose father was ill and unable to work, has been caring for her young brothers and sisters while her mother supported the family by washing and scrubbing. Today the little girl, worn out by her efforts, was taken to a hospital where it was found she was suffering from diphtheria, and a few hours later she was dead. The physicians said she had literally starved herself to death in her endeavor to keep the other four children alive.

Two brutal holdups, one of which may result in the death of George Saxon, took up the attention of the Brooklyn police today. Saxon was set upon in a street by three men who struck him with a base ball bat, fracturing his skull. The foe-pole was frightened away while in the act of robbing the man.

Alexander Maselwick and Alonzo Westwick, of Brooklyn, were severely beaten by highwaymen and robbed of \$100 in Brooklyn.

A fire in an Allen street house early today, following a Christmas celebration, caused the death of two women and a man. The serious injury of two women and a man.

Nan Patterson, accused of the murder of "Cesar" Young, passed a gloomy Christmas in the Pumbala hospital.

Christening through the snow while suffering from pneumonia, Mrs. Mary Schneider, aged 23, fell swooning on a sidewalk in 45th street. Her husband died five months ago and left her penniless and she had been harbored by a woman friend. Her benefactor's husband became ill and believed he was about to be dispossessed. Fought, with starvation facing her and feeling very ill, Mrs. Schneider started to walk through the snow and aet to a hospital. Her strength failed and she fainted.

The physicians at Roosevelt hospital said she was suffering from double pneumonia and would die.

With her five months old baby in arms and four-year-old daughter toddling by her side, Mrs. Mollie Carry appealed to the authorities for food to keep her children alive. She had been dispossessed.

William McGowan, of East 116th street, presided as Santa Claus at a merry Christmas party and entertained the household. He retired and was later found dead in bed with the gas pouring from a jet. It is thought his death was accidental.

An Italian was found dead and another dying in a Brooklyn hotel from asphyxiation. It is believed a gas jet was unintentionally turned on.

Following a trivial quarrel with his wife, Conrad Fredericks hanged himself in the house in East 45th street.

HALIFAX SHAKEN BY EXPLOSION

Powder Mill at Waverly, Ten Miles Away, Blew Up

FELT FORTY MILES

Chester Shaken Up—Windows and Dishes Broken in Many Places, and People Thought It Was an Earthquake—One Slightly Injured.

Halifax, Dec. 25.—(Special)—A terrible explosion occurred about 10.30 this morning at Acadia Powder Company's mill at Waverly, about 10 miles from Halifax, on the Dartmouth side.

Nearly a ton of powder went off in the drying mill, said to be from over-heating. The force of the explosion was felt for miles and the building in which it occurred blown to pieces.

Strange to say no one was killed and only one employe named Geo. Murray, slightly injured.

The force of the explosion was felt in the city to such an extent that many thought it had occurred at Ordnance wharf or dockyard. A number of windows were broken about the city and dishes were knocked from tables and shelves and broken.

The houses at the north end of the city were shaken as though by an earthquake and the occupants in many cases rushed into the street to try and ascertain the cause.

The report was distinctly heard at Chester, forty miles west of Halifax, and Ben-frew and Oldham also received a "shaking up." Trees in the vicinity of the mill at Waverly were uprooted.

The loss is said to be about \$10,000.

NEGROES SHOT DOWN WHILE WORSHIPPING

Pastor and Two Others Fatally Wounded—White Assailant Killed by Bullet of Friend.

Nanocville, Ala., Dec. 25.—While a negro congregation was holding a Christmas celebration in a church at Stoups Mountain, a mining camp near here, a volley of shots was fired into the church from the outside. Rev. Clay, the pastor, was shot through the hips and will die. Two other men were probably fatally wounded. The other negroes hurried out of the building and ran in every direction. Later the dead body of Henry Jett, a white miner, was found near the church with a revolver lying near by. It is supposed he was a member of the shooting party and was accidentally killed by one of his companions. John Jett, a brother of the dead man, and Ted Blackwell, both white miners, have been arrested.

NEW YORK BROKER COMMITS SUICIDE

Despondency Over Loss of Money Made George S. Evans Take His Life.

New York, Dec. 25.—Made desperate by the failure of the American Fuel Corporation, of which he was the secretary, Geo. S. Evans, a broker and promoter, ended his life in a hotel in Jersey City today by shooting himself in the head.

When he committed the act his wife was sitting before a window in the residence of her father in Bloomfield (N. J.) awaiting the promised coming of her husband, and she saw the messenger who brought the announcement of the tragedy. Upon hearing the sad news, Mrs. Evans fainted and is now in a serious condition under the care of a physician.

Evans was well known in New York's financial district. When the company of which he was secretary went out of business Evans is said to have suffered heavy financial loss, and since then had been despondent.

Ottawa Majority Contest.

Ottawa, Dec. 25.—(Special)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier left today for Quebec and will return on Thursday.

Mayor Ellis was nominated today for second term of mayorship. He will be opposed by ex-Mayor Morris. Both are Conservatives. For aldermen there will be a contest in every ward.

Murdered His Aunt.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 25.—George Bears, who was arrested at Flint today, confessed, Sheriff Davidson says, to the murder of his aunt, Mrs. Abel Brown, on her farm last Friday. Mrs. Brown's head was crushed and she was stabbed several times. The officers say that Bears said he was infatuated with his aunt.

ANOTHER BIG SENSATION IN NEW YORK

Startling Disclosures Looked for About Dodge-Morse Divorce

A CHURCH SCANDAL

Rector Refuses a Four-times Divorced Woman the Communion, and Her Friend the Bishop Unfrocks Him—Church Dignitaries Dragged In.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

New York, Dec. 25.—The true story of what is known as the Dodge-Morse case contains all the elements of an imaginative highly colored sensational novel. The beautiful but honest wife, the poor but dishonest husband, the millionaire admirer, the obliging lawyers, the complainant judge, the friend in high official place, the wealthy woman rival; these are some of the characters of this startling drama, which will likely be rendered on the play bills "interior of a prison cell."

The matter goes far deeper than the legal status of Mrs. Dodge, or Mrs. Morse—the courts have adjudged her both and neither. It affects the entire divorce system of the country, and lays bare the shameful practices by which a man can acquire another man's wife legally, if he has money enough. The constantly growing idea that money can do anything is at the root of all this miasmatic bunch of vegetation called the Dodge-Morse case.

A certain group of lawyers in this city has made it their boast that, provided with money enough, they would get a divorce for anybody, even if the party of the second part were innocent and unwilling. Many a pure woman's reputation has been ruined, many a man's home wrecked, many a home broken up forever by these sharks of the divorce courts.

Score of Lawyers Affected.

Few who read of the Dodge-Morse case have anything but the vaguest idea of what it is all about. Connected with it in one way or another are a score of lawyers, some of whom are known all over the country, a multi-millionaire trust magnate, a former mayor of the city of New York, a justice of the supreme court and the rich widow of a bank president, whose the poor Pullman car conductor, whose wife's good looks attracted the attention of the host of supernumeraries.

Charles F. Dodge was a Pullman car conductor. Chas. W. Morse was, and is, a very wealthy man, now one of the big trusts, and a man of much political influence in New York. Mrs. Dodge got a divorce in this city from her husband and married Morse. Dodge didn't defend the suit. Subsequently Dodge came forward and made affidavit that the complaint in the suit had never been served upon him (although certain lawyers had taken personal service). With this Morse himself brought a suit to have his wife's divorce annulled on the ground that it had been obtained by fraud. The law firm of Howe & Hummel acted for him in this suit. The divorce was annulled, the effect being to leave Mrs. Morse Dodge's wife again, and to leave her in the position of never having been Morse's wife.

Wife of Both and Neither.

Further legal moves annulled the annulment, so that Mrs. Morse is now a widow, that the woman is Mrs. Dodge, that she is Mrs. Morse, that she is the wife of both of them, and the wife of neither of them.

Dodge, after the first annulment of his wife's divorce, suddenly blossomed out with much money. When District-Attorney Jerome had him indicted here for perjury he fled to Texas. Abe Katzenbach, a representative of Howe & Hummel, went to Texas too, and for months a most remarkable siege was kept up. Once the New York lawyer chartered a vessel, and tried to slip Dodge into Mexican security. Thousands and thousands of dollars were spent by somebody. Dodge had none of his own, until somebody gave it to him.

After a bitter fight Jerome has succeeded in getting Dodge here and by a clever coup succeeded in preventing any of the counsel interested from seeing him. He has every detail of the whole story, from start to finish, and is carefully getting together corroborative evidence.

That a firm of lawyers known on both sides of the ocean is most intensely interested in what the grand jury will do in the coming week is well known. And the only party expressed is the brief quotation of the district-attorney, "Those that live by the sword, shall perish by the sword."

A Church Scandal.

The Protestant Episcopal Church of America is likely to be much stirred by the persistent talk of scandal in connection with the charges against Bishop Talbot, of Pennsylvania. The central figures are the Rt. Rev. Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, of Central Pennsylvania; Mrs. Emma D. Elliott, the social leader of Newport, Philadelphia and Huntington, Pennsylvania, daughter of the late General Deane, half-sister of the former Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, who is now Mrs. G. H. Belmont, the mother of the Purchase

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HAPPENINGS IN NOVA SCOTIA

to spend the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stevens.

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W. M. G. Deshaies, manager of the People's Bank of Halifax here, is now busy furnishing his new residence and will occupy the same in a few days.

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HOW THE MOTH OF CASTE WEAKENS THE STRENGTH OF RUSSIA IN WAR AND IN PEACE--NO MIDDLE CLASS

Abolition of Flogging Was a Long Step Toward Safety for the Peasants--Nobles Scorn Traders, and Traders Hunger for Social Recognition by the Nobles--An Analysis of the Russian System.

(Special Correspondence of the Telegraph-Copyright, 1904, by John Callan O'Laughlin) St. Petersburg, Dec. 9—When Emperor Nicholas II ordered the abolition of flogging throughout the empire he initiated a reform greater than has been instituted since the serfs were freed by Emperor Alexander, the Liberator. It was an act of thanksgiving to God for granting him a son to succeed to the throne, and a humanitarian of the west accepted it more by the abandonment of a brutal form of punishment.

Class Distinctions. Each of the four great groups into which Russian society is cast has divisions. The nobles, for example, are divided into the "hereditary" or the "personal" rank, the former, as its name indicates, is transmitted from father to son; the latter cannot bequeath his title to his children.

No Middle Class. In spite of all these divisions, which would seem to insure a rigid adherence to the law of heredity, there is no bond, save a material one, between the nobility and the peasantry. In a word, the great defect of Russia's social system, from the western point of view, is the absence of a middle class.

Nobility Scorn Trade. The nobles and the merchants, as well as the clergy, belong to what was the "privileged class" and still ranks as such. That is to say they enjoyed certain exemptions and advantages which did not belong to the peasants. As has been stated, these privileges have almost disappeared. The complaint of the merchant is that his family has never received in high society because it was in trade essentially a social question; the government has nothing to do with it.

Military Caste. "It is false," said an officer of the army general staff, "that nobles alone may obtain commissions in our military service. As a matter of fact, the commission is accessible to the peasant as it is to the noble. He must only pass the required entrance examination to the military academy, and then, if he is intelligent and studious, he has the same chance as his comrade to get a commission. I know many officers whose fathers are peasants. We have a privileged class, if it may be called such, in our army. It is made up of the sons of lieutenant-generals, and the only right given them as such is entering, without cost, the Papski Corps, the military school at St. Petersburg, from which officers of the Imperial Guard-regiments are usually taken. But as a peasant may reach the grade of lieutenant-general, his son would enjoy the privilege. Consequently, it is not a real class distinction."

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ANOTHER ALDEMANIC BLUFF

Nearly a year ago St. John, horrified by an unparalleled disaster in a Chicago theatre, decided to set its own house in order, and, as a first step, to ascertain the condition of public buildings here, with regard to public safety. An extensive and careful investigation was made by a committee whose members were told to report upon things as they found them, without fear or favor. They did so. They knew that the duty might have unpleasant results, and that the owners of some of the fire-traps in this city would blame them for calling a spade a spade. But they did the work assigned, and did it fairly well. There was, at that time, an aroused public sentiment which would have contended strenuously against Mayor White and the aldermen's trick which the iron was but.

The committee submitted a list of public buildings of several classes, and made specific recommendations in regard to each. The report was far from severe, yet, though it was not published until the Chicago horror was becoming a memory, it revived a public determination that men responsible for unsafe buildings should make them safe, or close them, and that the usual delay would not be tolerated, no matter whom or where the shoe pinched. The beautiful theory was that by applying pressure upon all who were mentioned in the report, the more dangerous cases could be attended to without singling them out and "submitting their owners to seeming hardship."

"Seemingly hardship" is a cock that fights valiantly in the Common Council, as we shall see. It is a matter of common knowledge that the Council, under the safety board, instructed the special committee's recommendations were "carried out"—all the time knowing that the inspector in some cases would be helpless for lack of backing, and in some places where the law did not cover the abuses specified. That he could do nothing in some cases rendered the inspector practically powerless in all. He asked for advice and for new legislation. The Mayor and aldermen had put the burden of the thing upon the inspector, and had fallen asleep. He partially awakened them for a few minutes by replacing the responsibility upon them. Then—somewhat later.

In a word, although conditions in most cases are as bad or worse in St. John than they were when the report of Messrs. Clark, Kerr and Wisely was submitted, maintenance has come again and nothing effective has been done. This is essentially an unpleasant question, and it becomes necessary to employ plain language in discussing it. It becomes necessary to say that Mayor White and the aldermen can, today, close the doors of many places of public accommodation, resort and entertainment whose owners have not made them safe, and on any day for more than six months past, or could have been used as a means of justifiable coercion in the cases referred to, but that the Mayor and the aldermen have preferred to make a puerile bluff and let it go at that.

If any man of voting age and intelligence does not think so, let him ask himself when he would hold morally responsible tomorrow if a member or members of the family met death in any one of the buildings whose defects were described many months ago at the Council's request and to the end that the Council might act. He would hold the owner of the premises responsible primarily, but what would he say of the men who caused these every-day dangers to be revealed and specified, and then permitted them to continue until now without any effort at remedy that can truthfully be called an honest effort?

There is and always has been law enough to close any place of public resort which is a menace to life and which fails to meet certain fixed requirements. More law has long been needed, and there is no good excuse that can be offered for those who have not yet put in form the new legislation or the amendments which are required to fit the case. But far worse is the failure to invoke the law already in force, and to permit thousands of human beings, thoughtless or ignorant of the risk, to imperil their lives as they do daily in many of the buildings officially branded "Dangerous" nearly a year ago.

The public in this connection will naturally scrutinize the conduct of (1) the owners or directors who defy or evade the law and ignore the constant danger to which they expose innocent people, and (2) the Mayor and aldermen who, having learned the full extent of these dangers nearly a year ago, connive at their continuance. If one owner or director does nothing, others will, not unreasonably, follow suit. But the Mayor and Council, who undertook to remove these menaces to life and who have not done so, will be held responsible by the citizens until this grave public wrong has been righted.

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But, after this (one hopes unwarranted) thrust at the bibulous Scot, Mr. Carnegie waxes most cheerful. The old days, he asserts, were as nothing to these. If some conditions are bad now, they were much even better. The days to come will be even better. If we but lift ourselves out of today's turmoil, he says, and take a clear look backward, "we are amazed at the rapidly with which we are pushing onward and upward, and filled with glorious visions of the days to come. Let us keep this in mind to encourage and make us joyously grateful that since all grows better all is well."

Good words, and good advice after all. Those who have never lived nor life insurance, and who might have if they were frugal, will find Mr. Carnegie's suggestions useful. It is easy to give advice, but it is not only given but taken, it and that not only by the thousands are the better for his wisdom.

A CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

It is dull politically. Two public meetings were held last night, one by each party. The candidates spoke, and their efforts were seconded by spellbinders of standing and ability. But if both audiences had been placed in one hall it is doubtful if there would have been 100 voters under the roof. Those who did attend, in all probability, were men who decided how they would vote before the conventions were held.

Santa Claus and General Apathy, in a word, have put the politicians to rest, with election day only a week away; and unless some party conjurers arise during the next few days and inject a large quantity of ginger into the fight, the vote will be wondrous small. There is some effort at an interchange of hot shot between the belligerents, but lacking audience and public interest, the effect to rally the rank and file of the parties along the firing line in anything like full force, seems hopeless. Fortunately some of the ammunition used against Alderman Maxwell hits the Common Council, and serves to direct attention to that body, which must give an account of its stewardship before many months.

A BANK MERGER

Our Montreal despatches confirm the report that the Merchants' and Royal banks have consolidated. The Witness, discussing the question before there was definite knowledge that the consolidation had been effected, thus explained the causes which seemed to make a combination necessary: "Bank mergers and rumors of bank mergers have been current for some time, and it is felt that in this case gossip" has not been idle indulgence. A well-known Montreal banker stated yesterday that in general way amalgamation was inevitable owing to the present competitive system in force in Canada. The gentleman pointed out that nearly every town or village in Canada, and more particularly in the Province of Ontario, is entirely overrun with banks and bank branches. From this gentleman's point of view the only solution is amalgamation of the banks best suited to do business with each other. The rumor that the Merchants and the Royal would combine has neither been denied nor confirmed, so it is reasonable to presume that some consideration has been given to the scheme of union. It should be particularly understood that these combinations, if they really are desired by banking interests, are not contemplated through any weakness of resources, but rather to the strengthened strength of any two participants, for their mutual benefit."

A CURIOUS PLEA

The Russians, apparently, are going to explain the Dogger Bank outrage in several ways before the North Sea tribunal. The tragic occurrence that brought two nations near a war would develop humorous features if the Russians are in earnest in regard to one of the pleas suggested, which is that the Baltic fleet was attacked and had to defend itself. Before the inquiry is over the Russians, if they had their way, would doubtless prove that the British tried to scuttle the Baltic squadron, and should be made to pay a heavy indemnity for their treacherous attempt to aid Japan. It is charged now that some of the fishermen who landed at Hull after the Dogger Bank outrage were pined with drink by Russian agents, and that they made "sworn statements" of a wonderful character. They are "said to have said" that they saw torpedo boats concealed among the steam trawlers just before the Russians opened fire, and to have made other confusing statements consistent with the theory that the outrage was of British or Japanese, and not Russian, origin and execution. What sort of drink and other inducements these mariners had in their way, would doubtless be investigated by the tribunal.

CHRISTMAS ADVICE

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who is a liberal distributor of words as well as wealth, issues a Christmas message to Scotland the world over; and while the editor gives it a trite, it is also sound, and will be read by many and heeded by some. Mr. Carnegie's Christmas thinking is materialistic. It is optimistic too. His position and his record lend weight to words that would seem commonplace in the mouths of many. The first of the canny ironmaster's precepts is "Be thrifty." Don't get into debt, he urges, or, if you are in, get out as soon as you can, honorably. He tells every Scot to think about freedom from debt, the ownership of a home, and a life insurance policy. He suggests that a certain portion of every Scot's income be set aside, to be applied at stated intervals to these ends. He points out that the Chinese, though regarded by many as an inferior race, believe that all debts must be paid at the end of the year, and that, frequently, Chinamen who cannot begin a new year debt free, kill themselves rather than live and forfeit an honorable position among their friends. Mr. Carnegie does not mean that the Scot in debt ought to kill himself because he cannot pay all he owes on December 31, and says so, though there is no great reason to fear that his countrymen will meditate self-destruction because of the example of others. That would not be canny. He reminds everyone that much money is thrown away, that little sums which slip through the fingers of the unthinking, while small in themselves, would, if saved, contribute considerably toward self-respect and home comfort and happiness. Incidentally the iron-king makes the shocking accusation that his fellow-Scotsmen drink altogether too much. Especially is this true of the Scottish working man, he says. The laborer in the United States, Mr. Carnegie finds, earns twice as much as the laborer in Scotland, and does not spend half as much for drink. "There is," he says, "one subject which, when mentioned, causes a Scot to hang his head in shame. This should not be. Let us all resolve to free our beloved Scotland from this stain that causes her sons to blush."

disgraceful panic and lack of wartime training precautions. The Russian attempt to play the role of the injured innocent is not likely to be highly successful.

A PRETTY LIVELY SORT OF LAW

Chapter 22, Consolidated Statutes; Respecting Liquor Licenses; Section 22. In any case where the license commissioners of any license district do not think it, or are unable to grant a new license to any applicant who has been licensed during the preceding twelve months, or any party thereof, they may, nevertheless, by resolution, provide for extending the duration of the existing license for any specified period of the year, not exceeding three months, at their discretion, upon payment by the applicant of a sum not exceeding the proportionate part of the duty payable for such license for the then next ensuing year; and such license, when a certificate of the extension aforesaid has been endorsed thereon, under the hand of the inspector of licenses, shall remain valid for the period specified in the resolution of the license commissioners, and not otherwise.

A CANADIAN COLONY

Three hundred thousand communists, including a colony in Alberta, Canada, are said to be on the rolls of the Mormon Church, and an active movement is being made to greater extension would now appear to have been initiated. In the standard works upon Mormonism (Biblical teachings are so skillfully interwoven with the doctrine of Joseph Smith that almost plausible argument has been set up, but the absence of corroborative evidence as to the existence of the plates of gold, etc., somewhat detracts from the strength of the Mormon case. An interesting feature of Mormon teaching is the theory with regard to the aboriginal races of the American continent. The many tribes and native races of America are stated to have been of common origin, having reached the continent on two migrations, commonly distinguished as the dark and the fair. All are stated to have been of Israelitic origin, the first movement, the members of which settled in the south, dating from a period soon after the fall of the Tower of Babel. These were in turn annihilated by the descendants of the dark migration, who were the ancestors of all the Indians of America today. The ruined cities of Central America are pointed out as the remains of the earlier or fair race, who were men possessed of a high degree of civilization, having long full beards, and being of an entirely different type from the present Indians or other native races. Lack of space will not admit of a more extended mention of this movement, which has in view a more progressive policy upon the part of the Mormon Church in Europe. As, with but one or two exceptions, the members, though earnest in purpose, are not men of striking personality or apparently of high education or magnetic force, but little will probably be heard of them by the world at large hereafter. DAVID RUSSELL JACK.

THE "BIG STICK"

When Secretary of State John Hay ordered "America" to be used as the official designation of the republic next door, the world laughed, and there was cause for mirth. When Theodore Roosevelt announced that he had assumed police jurisdiction over the South American republics, and inferentially over Canada, there was more laughter, though, truth to tell, Mr. Roosevelt is no great humorist, and meant what he said. That he did not see the humor of it should not have made it a whit less funny, yet it did. Now comes Elihu Root, lately Secretary of War, waves the "big stick more strenuously than ever Roosevelt did, and boldly proclaims a protectorate over all the territory from Cape Horn to Alaska inclusive, excepting Canada pending our good behavior and that of Great Britain. This is Mr. Root of the Alaska Boundary Commission, a candidate for the presidential nomination, and the man today for whose wisdom all others Mr. Roosevelt has most respect. To us in Canada Mr. Root is a loquacious and bragging Yankee upon whom serious thought would be wasted. Yet it is just as well to recall the fact that this man is a great figure in the United States, that he is the most powerful figure in the immediate Roosevelt circle, and that his words are not only taken seriously but will be applauded by nine-tenths of the people in the United States who see them in print or who hear their substance. In the light of Mr. Root's bombastic speech, which he and most Americans regard as not at all bombastic but simply natural, the "America" of John Hay, and the policeman role of Mr. Roosevelt assume a new significance. The theory of these men, who are just now dominant in their own country, is that the United States has the power and the right to give the law to this hemisphere, and that any challenge of this right or power is to be met by a bluff, and, if that prove insufficient, by recourse to arms. These are the men who plan to have, and who will have, the second fleet in the world within fifteen years to lend weight to their notions of right and wrong as applied to North and South America. "Walk softly, but carry a big stick, and you will go far," used to be the Roosevelt doctrine. Mr. Root would increase the size of the stick, and would not be particular about the velvet quality of his foothold. The attitude is both humorous and insolent. It is humorous because we in the Dominion believe no untoward happening will ever bring us within the scope of American frenzy or folly or aggression. But it is insolent, too, because within a generation we have seen, on several occasions, how some incident fired two nations with a passion which might have led to war; and there is in this latest bombast of Root's a reminder that, in certain circumstances hinted at, Canada might be regarded as a tempting hostage for the purpose of influencing Great Britain's course in matters of vital concern. We know, too, that the great station beside us has the faults of suddenly acquired riches and power, among which are unstable judgment, vanity, aggressiveness and a vast number of inhabitants ever ready to subscribe to some folly cunningly presented as right or necessary or expedient.

THE "GENIUS" OF BEGGARS

There was real genius in the "crust-brought" act invented by a German and brought to this country by a French beggar, in which the operator fixed through a hole in the mud of the streets and, a minute later, rushes out, picks it up from under the horse's feet, and gnaws it ravenously until the attention of the kind-hearted spectators are so focused that he needs to use both hands to take in the money they offer him.—New York Evening Post.

AWKWARD

Mr. Elihu Root's interpretation and expansion of the Monroe doctrine, to which the Telegraph devoted some space recently, has created quite a stir among British publicists. The London Times' comment indicates that the new American role may become an awkward one. Says The Thunderer: "It has been asked whether the American people are to become the debt collectors for Europe. Certainly not, so long as they do not interfere with other people who want to collect their own debts for themselves; but if for their own ends they threaten war against a European nation which owes its own debts, by the only means at command among South American republics, then they must play the police man under the penalty of figuring in the eyes of the civilized world in a much less respectable part."

THE WHOLE GAME EXPLAINED.

Mormon, so it is stated, was the father of Moroni, who in turn appeared in the form of an angel before Joseph Smith, then a youth of seventeen, on the night of September 21st, 1823, and instructed him as to some of the Divine purposes in which he was to take a part; that a record engraved on plates of gold, giving a history of the nations that had previously lived upon the western continent, and an account of the Saviour's ministrations among the people on this land were hidden in a hill near by; that with the plates were two sacred stones known as Urim and Thummim by the use of which men in olden times had become seers, and that Joseph should translate the record engraved on the plates. Moroni appeared before Joseph a second and third time, and again on the following day, when the boy acquainted his father with what he had seen. Joseph repaired to the hill described in the vision, and with some labor laid bare a stone box containing the plates, but Moroni again appeared and forbade the removal of the plates for four years. In due time the plates were brought forth from their resting place of centuries, were translated by Divine power through the instrumentality of Joseph Smith, whose publication of the record has since been given to the world as the Book of Mormon, and accepted by the Latter-day Saints as a sacred guide. From an initial membership of six persons, including Joseph Smith, his father and brother, the church grew to a membership of thousands during the lifetime of the prophet, notwithstanding persecution, which culminated in the martyrdom of the prophet and his brother Hyrum, then patriarch of the church, June 27, 1844. Joseph Smith was succeeded in office by Brigham Young, during whose time the practice of plural or polygamous marriage was established by the church as a result of direct revelation. For ten years after polygamy had been introduced into Utah, no law was passed in opposition to the practice, but, in 1862, the government of

the United States declared the practice unlawful and provided penalties therefor. After a bitter fight, and numerous appeals to the court of final resort, the church discontinued the practice of plural marriage, and, through its chief officer announced its action to the world.

D. R. JACK'S QUEER FELLOW-PASSENGERS

(Continued from page 1.) The "Articles of Faith" were alluded to were in the main of such a character as might be readily subscribed to by a member of any Christian church. As they are too lengthy for insertion in extenso here, the following extracts may be of interest: 2. We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgression. 4. We believe that the first principle and ordinance of the Gospel is the Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; (2) Repentance; (3) Baptism; by immersion for the remission of sins; (4) Laying on of hands for the Gift of the Holy Ghost. 7. We believe in the gift of tongues, prophecy, revelation, visions, healing, interpretation of tongues, etc. 10. We believe in the literal gathering of Israel and in the restoration of the Ten Tribes; that Zion will be built upon this (the American) continent; that Christ will reign personally upon the earth; and, that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisaical glory. 11. We claim the privilege of worshipping Almighty God according to the dictates of our own conscience, and allow all men the same privilege. The Articles of Faith from which the above selections were made, and are from the writings of Joseph Smith, the first "prophet" of the Mormon church. An additional article which does not bear his signature in the standard works published, but which was read at the service, was its substance as follows: We believe that all those who accept the teachings of all the Mormon Church will be saved, and that those who do not will be damned. A later enquiry of one of the party as to who Moroni was, and what the objects of the present migration were, elicited the following information: Liverpool was the primary objective point of the journey, and here a branch of the church has been established. From this point the present party will scatter throughout Europe, having in view the command to preach the Gospel to all the world.

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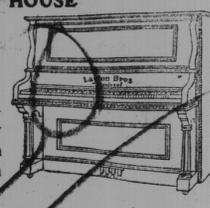
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SPREAD OF MANUAL TRAINING

T. B. Kidner, Director of New Branch of Education in New Brunswick, Writes of Purposes and Method of This Commendable Work, and Tells of Its Growth in This Province.

(Written by T. B. Kidner.)

In discussing the educational outlook a year or two since, Prof. Wm. James, the famous psychologist of Harvard, said, "the most colossal improvement ever introduced into the schools of America is manual training."

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Its development in Canada. The story of its introduction into Canada is fairly well-known. One or two isolated attempts at this, notably one in the city of Halifax, were made in the early nineties, but it was not until the year 1900 that a regular organized effort was made to make the subject known throughout the Dominion. In that year the far-sightedness of Professor Robertson, aided by the wealth of Sir Wm. G. Macdonald, made it possible to establish one or more schools in every province. Organizers and teachers of proved experience in Great Britain and the United States, were imported to give the subject the best possible chance, and for three years the work was supported almost wholly by this generous scheme. At the end of that period so satisfied were the various provincial authorities with the results of the movement that in practically every province the schools were taken over as a part of the regular educational system, and grants made to further the general adoption of manual training methods.

Satisfactory spread in New Brunswick. The result has been that, in addition to departments for the instruction of the students in training at the provincial normal schools, no less than eleven public manual training schools are now in operation in New Brunswick. Of their popularity and success, there is no longer any doubt, for from all sides comes testimony that they have met a long-felt want for some "practical" form of education, some methods by which the life of the school could be brought more into touch with the outside world.

For the Girls. For the girls of our public schools, other forms of manual training will eventually be introduced. Last year the act before referred to was amended so as to include schools of "Household Science," the same generous aid being accorded as in the case of manual training in wood, etc. No public household science school is yet open in New Brunswick, but the plans for the equipment of a room in the Macdonald Consolidated School at Kingston are complete, and early in 1905 the subject will be in practical operation there. This side of the work is also spreading rapidly in Canada, and in the sister province of Nova Scotia a more than twenty household science schools are in successful operation. The vast importance of the adequate training of the future wives and mothers of our great Dominion in all the operations of home-making in the best and broadest methods is being generally recognized, and household science bids fair to have as the rapid a growth in popularity as the manual training schools have enjoyed.

The Secret of Success. "Learning by doing" is the keynote of their work and the secret of their success. In place of attitude of passive receptivity of the pupil in so many of the regular studies, the whole future of the boy is at work, handling, seeing, feeling, doing, and using the material world about him; and the training of all those, and the development of strength of mind, body, and spirit is the aim of the manual training schools.

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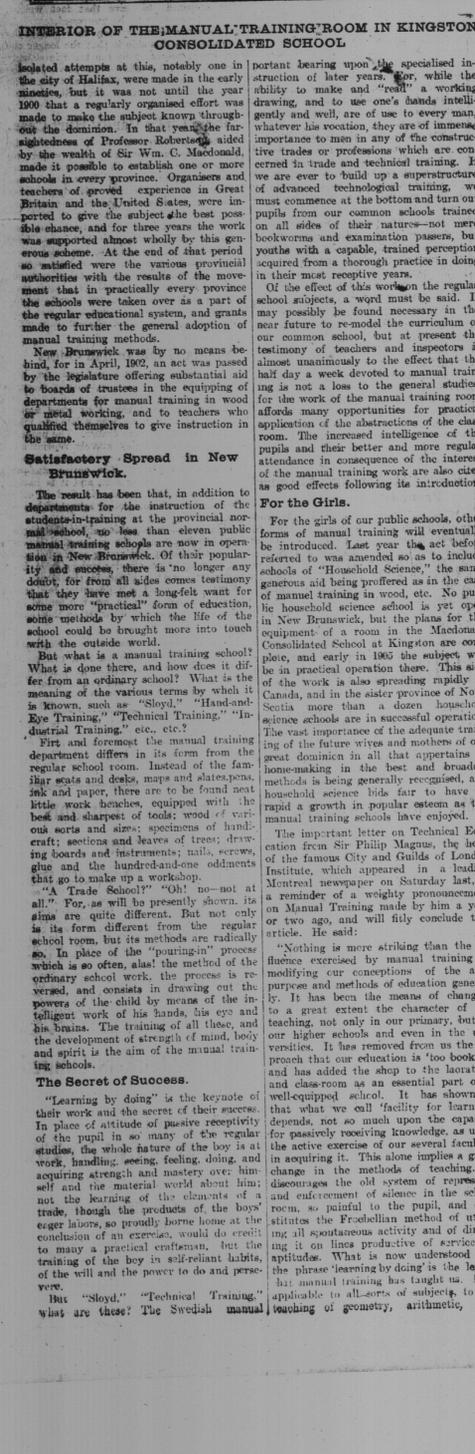
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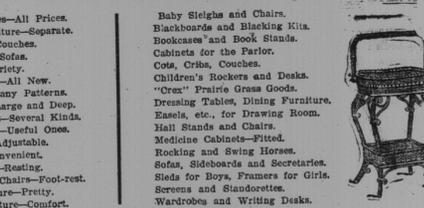
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Some of the Presentations which Mark the Season Good Will Among Men. Christmas, 1904, has been remarkable among other things for the many expressions of good will between employers and employees, expressed in handsome presentations. So long as this kindly feeling continues, so long will the real spirit of the season survive. The following are some of the happy events that have taken place: The altar boys of the cathedral Sunday evening presented a purse of gold to Rev. A. W. Meahan. An address was read by William Ryan and George Murphy made the presentation. There was a pleasant gathering in the editorial rooms of the Evening Times Saturday afternoon, when A. M. Belding, the editor, and A. E. McKinley, city editor, were waited upon by the members of the local staff, who extended Christmas wishes. W. R. Croke, on behalf of the staff, presented to Mr. Belding a handsome pipe and to Mr. McKinley a gold mounted amber cigar holder. The young ladies employed in the Times office Saturday afternoon presented to the proprietor, Rev. Prof. Winter, the street tobaccoist. He presented to the office a box of cigars—thirteen in all. J. N. Harvey, the clothier, presented his employee on Christmas eve, cash presents in gold. The Y. M. C. A. juniors Saturday presented to the physical instructor, Mr. Todman, a handsome card. Dr. T. Fred Johnson, veterinary agent, received from friends among horsemen, a beautiful Morris chair. The clerks in the new M. R. A. department presented a smoking outfit to the janitor of that department, Geo. Annan. All the employees of the St. John's Railway were remembered by the management Saturday. To each a turkey. It took 180 birds to go around. O. H. Warwick presented turkey his employees. James R. Gilland, C. P. R. agent West St. John, received from his handsome meerschaum pipe, as a Christmas present, Mr. Gilland accepted the with a brief speech of thanks.