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NEW YEAR'S DAY WILL BE FITTINGLY CELEBRATED

God Programme for Citizens of All Minds Today - Several Receptions to Mark New Year - Watch-Night Services were well Attended.

In most of the city churches yesterday the pastors preached special sermons, reviewing the history of the year, and giving interesting interpretations of different events and developments. Watch services were held in a number of churches, and large congregations were in attendance to see in old year out and the New Year in.

NEW YEAR'S EVE WAS PASSED QUIETLY

Large Crowd Assembled on King and Charlotte Sts. Last Evening, but Little Disturbance was Created.

There were nearly a thousand people on Charlotte and King streets last night, as the old year passed out and the new year was ushered in, and while there was some fun, rioting that took place in recent years was not repeated.

GRANITE TOWN IS GOING AHEAD FAST

Quarries and Other Industries are Sharing in Boom of Province - Sanguine Expectations for New Year.

Special to The Standard. St. George, Dec. 31.—St. George, the granite town, is a place of surprises. At every street corner the unexpected greets you.

The granite town has a prosperous appearance. It has several fine churches and well appointed stores, fine churches and a surprising number of handsome residences.

There are five granite mills in the town operated by the following firms: Epps and Dods, Milne Cutts, H. McGrattan and Sons, Tait and Meating, O'Brien and Baldwin.

The merchants of the town do not look upon the prospects, but are enthusiastic about the prospects, believing that the granite industry is bound to develop to considerable proportions in the near future.

RED ROSE MANITOBA PATENT FLOUR MARRIAGES. ALLEN-ALLEN—At Cape Spear, Dec. 29th, at the residence of the bride's father, Bliss Allen, Esq., by the Rev. Matthew R. Knight, Catherine F. Allen to Charles Tupper Allen, of Bayfield, Westmoreland Co.

After Midnight. The Carleton Cornet Band rendered a brief concert in honor of the arrival of the New Year in Carleton last evening.

Gramplan Arrives. The Allan liner Gramplan arrived from Liverpool and docked at the West Side at seven o'clock last evening.

CITY'S FIRE FIGHTERS HAD A BUSY TIME DURING YEAR

Standard's List Shows 176 Bell Alarms During the Twelve Months of 1911 - Damage Total was Well Kept Down by Firemen.

John Kerr, Chief of the Fire Department, and the men under his command have had a busy time of it during the year just finished, and 1911 will probably rank as having had more alarms of fire than any previous year in the history of the city.

On the eastern side of the harbor there have been no less than 143 alarms of fire according to the list kept by The Standard during the year. In addition to these alarms there have been a number of second alarms and a great number of still alarms which have been responded to by the chemical engines which have done excellent service during the year.

January. 1st—1:15 a. m., box 23, false alarm. 10th—4:45 a. m., box 125, Taylor and White's cooper shop.

February. 3rd—8:30 p. m., box 7, Elliott's. 3rd—10:15 p. m., box 3, Hopkins, Union street.

March. 4th—4:45 p. m., box 14, house, Brussels street, owned by Catholic Church.

April. 1st—3:55 p. m., box 28, City warehouse, Water street.

May. 3rd—5:55 p. m., box 43, Protestant Orphanage.

June. 8th—1:45 a. m., box 13, Selby's house, St. Patrick street.

July. 3rd—11:06 a. m., box 25, Vanwart's building, Cor. Duke and Charlotte streets.

August. 8th—4:15 a. m., box 135, false alarm. 12th—12:05 p. m., box 231, Valley Wood Co. shed.

September. 2nd—2:45 p. m., box 43, tool shed Protestant Orphanage.

REV. WILFRID GAETZ ON NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

Pastor of Queen Square Church Yesterday Preached Sermon Appropriate to Birth of the New Year.

In Queen Square Methodist church the pastor, Rev. Wilfrid Gaetz, was the speaker at both services, taking as theme of both sermons thoughts appropriate to the New Year.

The first part of the text, the speaker said is true of everybody, the second part is true of a class only.

This is not necessary. The passage of the years may mean the expansion of the soul and may experience of a daily remaking of his life.

When properly adjusted to God and the spiritual world, all the experiences that come with years accretion or otherwise, will build up the inner life.

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May. 16th—12:30 p. m., box 119, Samuel Njehol's house, Cor. Germain and Lancaster streets.

June. 10th—12:25 p. m., box 31, roof of William Park's house on Duke street.

July. 12th—6:40 p. m., box 214, false alarm. 20th—5:15 a. m., box 112, Prince street, Mrs. William Damery's house.

August. 7th—9:40 a. m., box 119, fire in courtyard. 7th—3:25 p. m., box 119, Mrs. Mary O'Connell's house.

September. 3rd—2:50 p. m., box 212, Miss Warlock's house, Winslow street.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY JANUARY 1, 1912.

PROGRESS IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Times on Saturday, under the caption of "Bright Prospects," says: "The year 1911 was one of progress in the Province and brought a number of large projects to the point of realization. The year 1912 will witness greater general progress in the Province than has been experienced in any single year in its history."

No newspaper in New Brunswick has assailed the Provincial Government with so much malignant vindictiveness as the Times, yet every project it mentions as important to the prosperity of the Province, with the exception of the Grand Trunk Pacific, is directly due to the initiative of the Local Administration.

Since coming into power the present Provincial Government has increased three fold the grant for immigration purposes as compared with what was spent by their predecessors, and have had twenty times the results. They have established offices in the central part of London and appointed an agent who has been plentifully supplied with literature dealing with the advantages New Brunswick affords agriculturists and others looking towards Canada as their future home.

The outlook for the Province of New Brunswick was never brighter than at present, and the spirit of hope which is abroad in every community, and which is likely to be realized, is largely due to the aggressive policy of the present Administration at Fredericton.

These differences, it may be remarked, were entirely of Mr. Pugsley's making, as it was he who proposed the impossible specification for the construction of the road, a specification which he well knew at the time no corporation could accept with the amount of Federal and Provincial assistance provided.

The era of progress to which we are all now looking forward so hopefully is coming at a time that does not suit the Liberal party, the Times and Telegraph least of all. Apparently for this reason they are endeavoring to create an idea that they alone, of all the newspapers in the Province, are in favor of progress.

New Brunswick is entering upon a period of prosperity because its affairs are being honestly administered for the benefit of the whole people and are no longer exploited solely for the advantage of politicians who care nothing for the public weal.

erition, aided by the Conservative Government at Ottawa. Better roads and a great development of agriculture are sure to follow financial assistance from the Federal Government.

On every hand there are signs of progress. An optimistic feeling prevails everywhere. Greater interest is taken in our natural resources than ever before.

THE PROBLEM OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

In a recent number of The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, Mr. D. F. Carpenter has an interesting article on Municipal Government. His observations, which have been summarized by the Toronto World, have led him to believe that while the commission plan is a long step in advance over the old plan, it is not the final solution of the great problem of civic administration.

No banker, Mr. Carpenter remarks, would imagine that because he had succeeded in managing a bank he was fitted to conduct a railway. And yet, he proceeds, "when we elect a grocer to manage a city government—of which he probably knows absolutely nothing—we wonder what is wrong with our charter."

In Mr. Carpenter's opinion the next step in municipal government, perhaps the true solution, is to develop trained municipal administrators, as is now done in Germany. If that were done a body of experts would arise in course of time who would know the science of municipal management.

Mr. Carpenter refers with approval to the plan, already in operation in one or two cities, of electing a city council to hold the purse strings and be the legislative body, but without executive duties. The council will also "elect a manager who has the same control over the administrative side of the government that a manager of a railway has over that side of the railway."

Referring to the Colorado Springs system, Mr. Carpenter remarks that "the all pervading defect in the charter is its entire failure to recognize the fact that the ordinary citizen, called from his roost on a minute's notice, is as absolutely incapable of administering the affairs of the city as he would be of acting as city attorney without legal training."

So much has been said recently by Liberal organs regarding "the interests" in Canada and the terrible fate in store for this country in consequence of the defeat of Reciprocity, that it is instructive and consoling to listen to that progressive statesman Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, who tells us that by defeating Reciprocity Canada escaped the far greater danger of being placed at the tender mercies of the trusts of the United States.

Senator La Follette is a sworn enemy of "the interests" across the border, and has been actively engaged in fighting them for many years. His opinion on the supposed efficiency of the Taft-Fielding Pact as a trust buster is therefore of some value.

"It proposed to reduce our tariffs on farm products if 'the Canadians would reduce their tariffs on our trust' products. No wonder the Canadians rejected it! I believe the Americans would have rejected it if they could have had a similar campaign of education upon it. It would have sacrificed our farmers to Canadian competition, while actually strengthening our trusts by giving them cheaper raw material; and it would have placed the Canadians at the mercy of our trusts, so that they could not have retained the advantages of their cheap raw material after their own manufacturers were driven out. It was also an attractive bait for the American newspapers, which were influenced in its favor by the promises of free print paper and wood pulp."

Criticism of trust domination in Canada comes with a bad grace from the organs of a party that permitted the formation of these trade combinations. Especially is this true when the Liberals made no attempt to check the work of the trusts or curb their powers. Reciprocity was a bold attempt to retain the reins of power.

The message of the Premier to the people of New Brunswick should help to imbue us all with a spirit of optimism. There is much to be thankful for in the past. The future with its promise of development and progress in many directions, holds even better things in store and points to New Brunswick as the land of opportunity.

AN ODE TO CANADIANS

By G. Walter Steeves, M. D., in "Canada."

Awake, Dominion's sons and see your right; With all your vigour stand in union bound; Hold fast the truths that yield in justice might; So every nation shall your praise resound.

Happy New Year, Colonel! Now here's to the colonel of Sunbury and Queens, and all his retainers in broadcloth and jeans; May their years be as long as the tale of the crimes of the riddly Gris committed in the good old times.

Gagetown News. Gagetown, Dec. 28.—Christmas has passed off very quietly. The creek was frozen and excellent skating was enjoyed.

Washing on Fire Doors. Have you seen our fire doors. Beautiful doors with a grain not unlike hemlock but with a more reddish tint.

The Christie Woodworking Company, Ltd. (Two Factories.) 245 1/2 City Road Erin Street

Cotton Sale Signs. ST. JOHN SIGN CO. 143-1-2 Princess St., St. John, N. B. Phone, Main 576.

BIG INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF ARRESTS

Police Court Record for 1911 Show Most Arrests for Any Year in Past 21 Years.

Table showing Police Court Record for 1911. Columns: Year, No. of Arrests, Drunks, Males, Females. Data for years 1890-1911.

Police court receipts for last year, and for the past four years, were as follows:—1911, \$5,546.52; 1910, \$4,265.21; 1909, \$2,879.50; 1908, \$4,881.45.

When the lists were set for combat, we fought him with a will, Welding the sword of satire, eager to work him ill.

So here's to you, gallant colonel! Many happy returns of the Day! May health and wealth attend you when you walk the narrow way!

Watches. The most critical judge of beauty of design as applied to the intricate of watch production, will of a surety be more than satisfied with The Artistic Merchandise.

Ferguson & Page, Diamond Importers and Jewelers, 41 King Street.

Merry Christmas and A Bright New Year. AND may God enrich the time to come with smiling plenty and fair prosperous days.

W. Tremaine Gard, Goldsmith, Jeweler and Optician, 77 Charlotte St.

Having enjoyed a successful year we wish to thank you one and all for favors extended and wish you "The Compliments of the Season."

Yours truly, BARNES & CO., LTD.

Stephens' Ink advertisement. Text: By its QUALITY Stephens' Ink has for 79 years held the home market and has FORCED its way through every Tariff abroad.

Opposition Forces Turkish Cabinet to Resign Office. Constantinople, Dec. 30.—The cabinet resigned today in consequence of the obstruction of the opposition.

King Cole Tea advertisement. Text: KING COLE TEA. You'll like the flavor.

Washing on Fire Doors advertisement. Text: Washing on Fire Doors. Have you seen our fire doors. Beautiful doors with a grain not unlike hemlock.

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FINANCIAL WORLD

BACHE'S WEEKLY LETTER

Nineteen Hundred and Eleven—Past, Present and Future.

The passing of the wave of Christmas activity leaves some quiet in its wake, inducing a widely extended tendency to weigh carefully the outlook for the coming year in business, as well as furnishing opportunity for the consideration of general results in 1911. The year 1910 had been one of declining volume of business and liquidation in many directions. It was hoped in January, 1911, that slow recovery would come, but the outlook was not viewed with much enthusiasm. The Supreme Court decisions were still ahead. The recovery did not begin to come until in the very last months of the year, and the period intervening was marked by a steady continuation of the continued hand-to-hand buying, so depressing to anything like new enterprises. The decisions of the Supreme Court rendered in May were looked upon as a step in the direction of a dead, while the present situation, and at that time the prospects for a large crop were bright. Both these hopes were somewhat disappointed later in the year. At one time a crop failure was feared, and the government's attitude on the Sherman Law cast a cloud over the future of large industries in America. All this culminated in the institution of the trust against the Steel Trust, and in the latter part of September the low point of the year was reached, not only in prices of stocks, but in the general depressing feeling. The turning point came when Mr. Roosevelt's "Outlook" article, scoring the Administration for its indiscriminate action under the Sherman Act, produced the impression that a halt had come in needless prosecution and that the conflict between leaders a reasonable course of procedure would ensue. It was at this time that the expansion in activity in iron and steel began, due in part to the drastic cut in prices, and in part to the realization of a return of some degree of confidence generated by the impression above noted.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

By Direct Private Wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co.

Table with columns: P'vious High, Low, Close. Lists various stocks like Am Cop., Am Bet Sug., Am Cot Oil, etc.

TRADING BRISK AS THE YEAR CLOSES

New York, Dec. 30.—The last day of the year stock exchange brought a brisk business as rising prices, speculative opinion seemed to be more cheerful. It was largely a market of specialties, for while the standard stocks advanced, their gains were confined to a point or less, as contrasted with upward movements of several points, for some of the less prominent issues. The trading element took advantage of the movement in the specialties, to close out some lines of the leading issues, but the market absorbed these sales easily. The stability of the list in the face of the diversion of interest to obscure stocks, helped to improve sentiment. Great Northern ore certificates and Interborough-Metropolitan preferred, were among the most prominent. The ore certificates rose 4 1/2 points, and the Interborough-Metropolitan preferred jumped 8 points to 85, a rise of 15 points in the last two days. Buying of this stock was accompanied by the report that the company had sold coal lands to one of the southern roads, for an amount sufficient to cancel the outstanding bonds. In the list of railroad stock, Canadian Pacific, Northwestern, Delaware and Hudson, Baltimore and Ohio and Denver and Rio Grande preferred, rose a point or more. Cleveland C. C. and St. Louis last three points. The report of the impending receivership for All-Chalmers had no effect upon the market, aside from the securities from the company itself as the financial condition was well known. The stock and bonds have been selling at resiliency prices for some time, and trading in them today was not excited. The five per cent. bonds dropped 2 1/2, and the preferred stock a point. The common stock barely moved.

CLOSING STOCK LETTER.

By Direct Private Wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co.

New York, Dec. 30.—While the trading in today's short session of the market was largely specialized a good undertone prevailed and the average prices at the close ruled substantially above last night. Sharp upward movements in such specialties as Great Northern Ore, the Int. Met. issues were the most striking features. With regard to Great Northern Ore, the strength was due largely to recent newspaper stories to the effect that the trustees had not yet distributed a dollar of the royalty received from the Steel Corporation and that a full statement of the resources of the trust would be made in January which would show that the certificates were worth considerably more than the present selling price. The plan of re-organization of the Int. Met. movements was also a factor. Sharp upward movements in such specialties as Great Northern Ore, the Int. Met. issues were the most striking features. With regard to Great Northern Ore, the strength was due largely to recent newspaper stories to the effect that the trustees had not yet distributed a dollar of the royalty received from the Steel Corporation and that a full statement of the resources of the trust would be made in January which would show that the certificates were worth considerably more than the present selling price. The plan of re-organization of the Int. Met. movements was also a factor.

\$5,000 Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company First Mortgage 5 Per Cent Bonds

\$8,000 Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company 6 Per Cent Debenture Stock

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REAL ESTATE THE BASIS OF GREAT FORTUNES

Don't Waste Your Money in Wildcat Propositions, but Invest in FORT FRASER BRITISH COLUMBIA

On the Main Line of G. T. P. Ry.

TO THE UNINITIATED, one of the mysteries of the business world is the accumulation of fortunes by men, and sometimes women, who began life without a dollar.

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NOTICE

To Policy Holders of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company

"A TRUSTEE THAT NEVER DIES" The Eastern Trust Company

FIRE, MOTOR CAR AND MOTOR BOAT INSURANCE

THE BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Table with financial data: Capital (Paid Up), Rest and Undivided Profits, Reserve Liability of Shareholders, etc.

CHATHAM INDUSTRIES ANTICIPATE BOOM

several deep water frontage properties far more valuable, as industrial sites, as they will now be accessible both by rail and water.

Public Utilities Stocks

Royal Securities Corporation, Limited H. BRADFORD, Manager

TOOKE BROS. LTD.

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Sold with a bonus of Common Stock. Business established 1870. Largest manufacturers in Canada of Men's Shirts, Collars, Hosiery, Underwear, etc.

CUSTOMERS' REVENUE

The following is a comparative statement of customs revenue collected at the Port of St. John for the month of December 1910 and 1911, and for the two years:

Table with columns: 1911, 1910, 1911-10. Lists Customs, Sick Mariners, Fund, Registrar Fees, Seizures, etc.

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5% Cape Breton Electric Railway Bonds Denomination \$1,000 At Lowest Market Price D. B. DONALD

The Spirit of Progress Keeps the Underwood Standard Typewriter In the Lead UNDERWOOD "The Machine You Will Eventually Buy."

WINDOW GLASS.

Table with columns: Size, Price. Lists window glass sizes from 16 oz to 18x32.

SWEET CIDER On Draught at J. ALLAN TURNER'S

Landing 100 Bags Fire Clay ex S. S. Kastala. PRICE LOW. GANDY & ALLISON

DALHOUSIE SHARES

GENERAL PROSPERITY

Year of 1911 was a Notable One for Town and Indications Point to Future Prosperity.

Dalhousie, Jan. 1.—Dalhousie has had a busy and prosperous year during the twelve months just closed. The late formation of the ice in the river made net fishing late and consequently the price was down before Dalhousie fishermen could get on the ice. This is one of the points of interest for our citizens that has been before the late government, but without redress.

In the spring the mills started early, and a fine summer's cut was handled. The Dalhousie Lumber Company made a large cut this season. The long lumber put through their band saw was 7,000,000 superficial feet, valued at \$125,000; roused pulp wood, 16,000 cords, with a value of \$150,000; 25,000,000 shingles, estimated at \$70,000; 4,000,000 laths, worth \$8,888. The company employed about 20 men around their mills during the operating season. The prospects are bright for the coming season, as the company is cutting 20 millions of lumber, employing about 500 men.

The Bearinger and Chapin plant cut 20 million of shingles, 6 million of long lumber and 3 1/2 million of laths. This plant was sold this fall to the Dominion Coal and Steel Company, and it is understood that extensive improvements will commence as soon as the company has matters straightened out. The company has 200 men on their limits cutting lumber for the next year's operation.

A large breakwater is under construction at present, connecting the main land with Lighthouse Island. This is a much needed public work as the drifting silt will be kept from the harbor. The whole work is about a thousand feet in length. Building has not been so brisk as in some former years, but several residences have been put up, old ones repaired. A and R. Loezige built a new most market near their large general store. This structure, 30x50 ft., is fitted with a large number of cells for frozen meats and fish, concrete floors and counters.

REVENUE OF UNITED KINGDOM INCREASED DURING PAST YEAR

London, Dec. 30.—The revenue of the United Kingdom for the quarter ending December 31st, amounts to £40,885,862 sterling (\$204,444,212). This is an increase of £2,157,226 (\$10,281,150), as compared with 1910.

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

Hereafter the following charges will be made on reading notices inserted in The Standard:
 Church Notices, Sunday Services, 5c. per line of six words.
 Church Concerts, Church Festivals, Lodge Concerts and Notices, and all other notices of meetings, 10c. per line of six words.
NO MORE FREE LOCALS.

AROUND THE CITY

Removing Gravel.
 Harry Brown has been reported by the police for removing gravel from the east end of Clarence street.

Reported by Police.
 William McDonald has been reported by Acting Sert. Ross, and Officer O'Leary, for driving a bull through the streets yesterday.

German St. Annual Meeting.
 The annual meeting of the German Street Baptist church will be held on the 10th inst. The ladies of the congregation will serve supper in the school room at 6.15 p. m.

Out on Deposit.
 A man giving his name as John Collins was arrested on King street Saturday night and when searched at the central police station \$48 was found in his pockets. He later made a deposit of \$8 and was allowed to go.

Had No License.
 The police on Saturday night made a raid on W. J. Cunningham's beer shop on Prince William street, and captured a quantity of liquor. Cunningham has been reported for having liquor without a license.

Took Fit.
 Saturday afternoon a man who gave his name as Peakes of Sussex, fell in a fit on Main street, and was taken into Hawker's drug store. He was later conveyed to the general public hospital in the ambulance.

Pleasant Surprise.
 Frank Lodge, the superintendent of the Dominion Coal Company's plant on the West Side, was given a pleasant surprise on Saturday when the men working for the company presented him with a handsome and valuable meerschaum pipe.

Electric Clipper.
 Short Bros, Union street, have imported an American electric clipping machine, and are doing a good business clipping horses at their stable. It is the only electric clipping machine in the city and a horse is clipped better and quicker than by the hand worked clipper.

New Year in Carleton.
 There was some celebrating in Carleton last night and early this morning. Some person at five minutes past midnight ushered the New Year in by sending in a false alarm from box 113, at the corner of Ludlow and Water streets. At 12:25 o'clock another false alarm was sent in from box 114 on the corner of King street and Market place.

Watch Night Service.
 In Foxmouth street Methodist church the watch meeting service was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. Robert Smart. The address was given by Rev. H. P. Roe. Rev. W. W. Brewer, pastor of the church, spoke briefly, extending the greetings to the congregation. Special music was rendered by the choir, under the direction of Mr. Thomas. During the service an offering was taken and will be devoted to the poor.

First Aid to the Injured.
 Dr. C. M. Kelly delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture on "First Aid to the Injured" before the members of the St. Peter's Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon. Dr. Kelly's address was of a practical nature and when speaking on the hygiene of the body he pointed out the necessity of cleanliness and good habits to promote good health. The address was well received by the boys and a hearty vote of thanks was moved by L. J. Durick, seconded by J. A. Dever, and presented to the doctor by J. B. Dever, the president of the association.

A Special Service.
 A special service for young people was held in St. Mary's church last evening, at which the pupils of the Sunday school were present in force, girls wearing blue souvenir badges and the boys red badges. A special musical programme was carried out solos being rendered by Edna Hunt, Edith Morrison, Sarah Lipsett and Augusta Lane. The rector, Archdeacon Raymond, delivered an interesting address, referring to the work of the Sunday school during the year and the influence which had operated to make the year a successful one.

Boosting St. John.
 That all the boosting of St. John and New Brunswick is not done by the Boosting Committee of the Board of Trade is shown by the fact that the Boston Sunday American yesterday devoted half a page of space to pictures of St. John harbor, of Fredericton and of Premier Fleming, accompanied by an article telling of the development which is to come to this port through the construction of the Courtenay Bay terminals, the Valley Railway and other projects. The article was written by a member of the staff of The Standard and is one of a series for which orders have been received from papers in different parts of the United States.

A Presentation.
 The host of friends of John Barnes, retiring engineer of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, will regret his departure from the city. He will leave this week for his home in Ohio. Mr. Barnes has been made the recipient of numerous tokens of esteem from friends in the city, prominent among which was the dinner and presentation to him by the members of the Knights of Pythias. On Saturday evening he was the central figure in another presentation when P. W. D. Campbell of the N. B. Telephone Company, acting for the officers and employees of the company, handed to Mr. Barnes a complete travelling outfit. Mr. Barnes made a suitable response.

Prince William Hotel—St. John's New Hotel.

POORER WHISKEY, BETTER POLICE WORK, THE CAUSES OF INCREASE IN ARRESTS

What Representative Officials Have to Say About the Annual Record of the Police Force — Chief Clarke Says Bad Whiskey is Responsible, Others Give Credit to Efficient Police Force.

The returns of the work of the police force for the year which closed at midnight show that the number of arrests was greater than for any twelve months in the last twenty-one years. Naturally, this fact leads to the inference that either the city is getting worse or the police force had been more vigilant during 1911 than in any of the twenty years previous.

A Standard man yesterday afternoon got in touch with several gentlemen whose vocation enables them to keep fairly close tabs on the doings of the police force, and asked them if the increased number of arrests had any psychological bearing on the moral tone of the city, or, if it was merely due to the fact that the members of the force of guardians of the law were close to their jobs. Not one of the gentlemen seen would admit that St. John was passing through a stage of moral degeneration. They were all inclined to the idea that a large number of arrests was simply and purely due to the increased vigilance of the blue coats. That is all but one.

Chief Clarke would not go so far to say that the showing was due to any extra good work on the part of his men, although he modestly admitted that the members of the force tried to do their duty, and those in charge endeavored to keep them abreast of the times and to give the city good service.

"Bad whiskey has most to do with the large number of arrests made," said the chief. "I don't mean that in the abstract sense, but I do say that some very bad whiskey is sold in St. John at the present time. We have men brought in for drunkenness, picked up on the streets drunk, in some cases, men whom we can rely, and they tell us that they had but one, two, or, maybe, three drinks. The whiskey must be bad, and it is shown in the after effects which we see in the men who are arrested."

Some of them are sick for several days in the sobering up process. Yes, it is bad whiskey very largely, although we try to do our duty as well as we can. The force here has not been properly equipped, and some of the necessary things for proper police administration we have lacked until comparatively recently. I do not think St. John is getting any worse. The bad whiskey does it."

Judge Forbes when asked said, "I have lived in St. John for 51 years and I never knew the city to be more orderly than at present. Much is due to the vigilance of the police force, which is first class. The large number of arrests is also in a large measure due to the largely increased trade of the port and the floating population passing through. All sorts of men come in here, and they are well cared for by the police. There is no need for alarm, for there is very little serious crime. As a matter of fact the criminal courts have not half the business they used to have, and this is a pretty good indication that the city is orderly."

Mayor Frink said that analyzing the returns brought to him he is of opinion that the increase in the number of arrests was due to the vigilance of the police force. "I do not think there is any increase in drunkenness," said the Mayor. "In fact my observations in going about the city do not lead to any such view. The police force is looking after the men who violate the laws, and this explains the whole matter."

Recorder Baxter was of a similar opinion. "Pretty crime is well looked after, and the more serious crimes are happily absent," said he. "Yes the police force is efficient, highly efficient, and in this respect St. John has every reason for congratulation. Our police force would do credit to any city."

An effort was made to obtain the opinion of Police Magistrate Ritchie but his honor could not be seen last evening.



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