

SICILIAN PRINCE STEERAGE FOOD FOR CRITICISM

Halifax Immigration Official Finds Facilities Inadequate on North-western S.S. Co.'s Ship.

Steamer Allowed to Proceed to New York, But Ottawa is Communicated With.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 19.—Dr. Hawkins, Dominion Immigration Inspector at Halifax, investigated the condition of the north-western Transportation Company's steamship Sicilian Prince from Rotterdam to this port which arrived on Saturday. His attention was called to the steamer's condition by reading in the newspapers of the horrible condition that prevailed on board a sister ship of the Sicilian Prince, the Neapolitan Prince, belonging to the same line.

COMPLICATED STRUGGLE AHEAD IN OTTAWA

Liberals Divided As To Nominee In Approaching By-Election—Laurier's Candidate Not Anxious To Run.

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Ottawa, Dec. 19.—There is every prospect of a singularly complicated struggle at the approaching by-election. It has been guessed that the date will be January 11, but upon this there is no certainty. The Liberals are greatly divided. Mr. Auguste Lemieux and Dr. Chevrier are determined to run, and now that they will be candidates, Mr. Laurier's candidate, though he is not believed to be anxious for the honor having found the patronage very wearing. On the Conservative side, City Treasurer and ex-Mayor J. A. Ellis has announced his positive intention of running, whatever happens, on the platform of championing the idea of a direct contribution to the royal navy and opposing the idea of a Canadian navy. He already is prosecuting an active campaign, publishing daily arguments on the subject in the newspapers. No steps have been taken yet to hold a Conservative convention and the situation will be difficult, as the unwritten law is that this seat should be the property of the French Canadians.

COBALT FRAUD SUSPECTS ARRAIGNED IN COURT

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Jacob Cohen, 18 Agnes street, Morris Rodchinsky, 93 1-2 Elizabeth street, Wm. Jansen and Jacka Heikkin, the latter two of Cobalt, four of the eight men arrested in connection with the theft of ore from the Crown Reserve and Kerr Mining Companies, appeared before Magistrate Ellis this morning. They all pleaded not guilty and were remanded till Friday next without bail. The eight prisoners will all come up on that day, when it is expected the crown will be ready to proceed with the investigation.

SUBJECTS PAY LAST RESPECTS TO LEOPOLD

Imposing Ceremony Witnessed At Brussels Yesterday—Episcopate Issues Statement Eulogizing Leopold.

Brussels, Dec. 19.—The body of King Leopold lay in state in the royal palace today, while thousands who had patiently waited their turn to be admitted filed silently before the catafalque and paid homage to their late sovereign.

SOCIALISTS DECLARE FOR REPUBLIC

Brussels, Dec. 19.—The general Socialist organization has issued a proclamation in favor of a republic and condemning Leopold's long reign on the country the costly burden of the Congo. The proclamation adds that the Socialists decline to swear allegiance to Albert, who, as monarch, is bound to "represent the oppression of those who labor by those who fatten on the fruits of labor."

LOYD GEORGE ON OPPOSITIONS POLICY

Declares That Tariff Reform Will Not Fill England's Bill Where England Leads The World.

London, Dec. 18.—Mr. Lloyd George addressing a meeting at Walworth last night, said: "Neither the colonies nor foreigners would buy our goods, except for two reasons, either their quality is better or the price cheaper for the same quality. They are not buying them because they love us. You go to the colonies with any article, whether it comes from the French, the Russian, German or American and if it is a better article for a cheaper price they are not going to buy a British article which is inferior at a bigger price. They would be fools if they did it. That is not the way to do business. Our goods are beating them all. Why, we are able to put them in every market in the world more cheaply than any other country."

SANTA CLAUS TO HAVE HIS HANDS FULL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Santa Claus this year apparently has on his books the names of many more children than heretofore and means to remember the good little boys and good little girls, homitously with toys of all descriptions. Uncle Sam has been keeping a watchful eye on the records of toys for Christmas and his latest figures indicate a great increase in the value of playthings from the toy-makers of Germany and elsewhere including the United States, which have been accumulating for distribution Christmas Eve.

CORINTHIAN ASHORE HARBOR

Allan Liner Piled Up on George's Island Attempting to Make Open Sea—Sea Calm at Time of Accident, and Fishing Schooner is Held To Blame for Disaster.

Fleet of Tugs Fail in Attempt To Get Steamer Off and "Cruiser" is Sent For—No Serious Damage is Reported, and It is Likely That Ship Will Be Floated Today.

Special to The Standard.
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 19.—Standed on the Northwest point of George's Island half way out of Halifax Harbor is the big Allan Liner Corinthian, which ran ashore last night while outward bound for Glasgow. The Corinthian is there because Captain Rennie, who was in command, had his doubts between the certainty of cutting down a fishing schooner and the danger of striking on the sand ledge. He chose what seemed to be the less of two evils and saving the precious lives on the schooner ran his ship aground.

MURDER OR SUICIDE NOT KNOWN

Newark, N. J., Dec. 19.—Two elderly sisters, Francis and Isabel Ritchie were found dead today in the kitchen of their home here.

HARBOR MASTER OF HALIFAX DIES

On Tram Car—Was Well Known As Successful Yacht Builder.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 19.—John E. Butler, harbor master of this port died very suddenly this afternoon. He passed away while riding on a tram car which left Richmond about 4:30 o'clock. Mr. Butler seemed to be in good health. He attended 11 o'clock mass at St. Patrick's church as was his custom for the past thirty-seven years and assisted in taking up the collection. In the afternoon he left G. S. Campbell and Company's wharf in the Togo to board the Cairndon, and proceeded with the iron laden steamer to pier No. 8 at Richmond. After the Cairndon had been docked he immediately left for the street where he took an electric bus south, intending to return home. He died on the car.

COPENHAGEN TO DODGE VERDICT

Copenhagen, Dec. 19.—The general belief is held here that the commission giving charge of the investigation of Dr. Frederik A. Cook's polar records will not provide a basis for any well founded scientific judgment.

MYSTERY OF THE DEATH OF TWO SISTERS

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New York, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Mrs. G. H. P. Belmont, demonstrated in the small and early hours of today that she has the interests of her sex of the working class at heart and is willing to give not only of her time, but of her fortune to assist them.

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MADRIZ HAILED AS THE SAVIOUR OF NICARAGUA

Zelaya's Proposed Successor Accorded Great Welcome by Citizens of Home City.

Country Ablaze With Enthusiasm at New Order of Things—Zelaya's Offer Is Declined.

INDEPENDENCE LABERER'S AIM SAYS HAULTAIN

Leader Of Opposition In Saskatchewan Legislature Brands Premier As A Separatist.

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"JACK JOHNSON" IS ACCOMMODATED WITH CELL AT CENTRAL

Dusky Visitor On Saturday Requested Peaceful Place To Sleep—Found The Metropole Too Noisy.

"Mistah Jack Johnson is my name." Somewhat taken aback the police officers politely invited the color- ed visitor to have a seat, when he called at Central police station about 11 o'clock on Saturday night.

SCOPE OF LIFE SAVERS LITTLE CONFINED

Who The United States Officials Saved Last Year Apart From Those Imperilled By Marine Disasters.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Aside from saving hundreds of lives and millions of dollars worth of property involved in marine disasters, the United States life-saving service managed to render assistance to many unfortunate persons in distress. The annual report of the superintendent of the service, Mr. Kimball, shows that a woman "about to be hurried over a bluff," an intoxicated man about to fall off a dock, a man who had lost his way in a marsh, another who had broken through the ice, two others who had climbed upon a roof, a man of a cliff and were unable to descend and still another who tried to commit suicide, were saved by the vigilant guards.

SUBJECTS PAY LAST RESPECTS TO DEAD KING

Brussels, Dec. 18.—The body of King Leopold was transferred from the Pavilion at Laeken to the Palace at Brussels tonight, by the light of torches carried by troopers acting as guides. The hearse was covered with crepe and drawn by eight horses with black draperies. It was surmounted with black plumes and bore the national coat of arms and the coats of arms of the various provinces.

OFFICERS OF EMPRESS WERE NOT TO BLAME

Quebec, Dec. 18.—Dominion wreck commissioner Demers rendered his decision in connection with the accident to the E. M. S. Empress of Ireland, off Monaca last October, this afternoon. After a lengthy and complete analysis of the documents produced and of the opinions expressed by the experts which had stated that the vessel had certainly not struck a reef but a submerged derelict, the court declared that nobody could be blamed for the accident.

SEVEN DREDGES DOING THE WORK AT FORT WILLIAM

John Ryan, Inspector, On Visit Here, Speaks Of Recent Operations — Port Arthur Is Also Getting a Share.

While only three dredges are employed by the Department of Public Works at the harbor of St. John, the winter terminus of the great trans-Atlantic steamship companies, seven dredges have been employed at Fort William and a number more at Port Arthur only three miles distant. Mr. John Ryan, dredgings inspector at Fort William, who is spending the Christmas holidays at his home Duke street, when interviewed by The Standard last night described the work that was being done at the port.

There were at the present time, he said, three important dredging undertakings going on. One of the works consisted in the deepening and widening of the Kamistakia River and its branch, the Mission, which connected the port with Thunder Bay on Lake Superior. These rivers were being made 500 feet broad and 25 feet deep to facilitate the grain boats. The work had not yet been completed. A large turning basin was also under construction near the branching of the Mission river and was known as the G. T. P. harbor. When completed it would be about a quarter of a mile long, twenty-five feet deep and several hundred feet wide. The third work consisted in the dredging of a channel to the new G. T. P. elevator which when built would be the largest in the world. This channel would be about a quarter of a mile long.

G. H. HARRISON TO AID IN IMMIGRATION WORK

Woodstock Man To Assist In Placing Scotch Laborers In Northern New Brunswick—Praise For Government.

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 18.—The immigration policy inaugurated by the Provincial Government has proved so successful that it has been found necessary to temporarily increase the staff and G. H. Harrison of this town is now assisting the Superintendent of Immigration. He has been assigned to the upper part of the province and is arranging for the location of farm hands and other laborers. This is a grand opportunity for the farmer who has been handicapped by the lack of good reliable help to get experienced Scotch laborers at a very reasonable wage as the department has numerous applications from persons desirous of settling their sons in New Brunswick. These people are recommended by the superintendent as a very careful selection is made on the other side of the water. Arrangements are being completed to have a large number of experienced farm laborers arrive in this province early in April. Mr. Harrison expects to visit the district in the near future and will be glad to meet any who are interested in this forward movement of the Government.

GRAIN GROWERS IN ANNUAL SESSION

Brandon, Dec. 19.—Manitoba grain growers eighth convention came to a close Saturday. At the afternoon session, the recommendations of the committee on live stock, were adopted and a motion was carried endorsing the amendment of the inspection act set as to provide for a board of provincial inspectors. The taking over of the Fort William elevator by the Dominion Government was also unanimously voted for.

GREAT NORTHERN TRAIN DESTROYED BY FIRE

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Northbound Great Northern train from St. Paul to Winnipeg was wrecked Saturday night and the mail and baggage cars with the contents were destroyed by fire, including twelve corpses in the baggage car. Much Christmas mail for western Canada from western Ontario was also included in the list.

WELL KNOWN TORONTO MAN DEAD FROM FALL

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 19.—Mr. Donald Gunn, president of Gunn's Ltd., the well known packers of this city was killed on Saturday by falling on the pavement on Young street, after he had avoided a slow going automobile. The late Mr. Gunn who was 65 years of age was known all over Ontario as an importer of fine horses. He was also a pioneer in the packing industry.

Government Judge Naval Defence Bill

Dr. Daniel, M. P., Home From Ottawa Reviews Work Of Session—Scores Vacillating Course Of Administration In Holding Back Naval Defence Bill—Ministers Who Represented Canada At Imperial Conference Don't Want Union Jack.

Dr. J. W. Daniel, M.P., arrived home from Ottawa on Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays. In conversation with a Standard reporter last evening, Dr. Daniel spoke of the outstanding features of the session and the poor showing which the Government had made on these occasions. The naval defence measure, he declared had been held over until the opening of the next session in order to give the Government time enough to make up their own mind on the matter and to whip their lagging followers into line.

The Indian lands scandal in the west, the mismanagement which resulted in the deepening and widening of the disgraced deal in the purchase of the sawdust wharf at Richibucto, had all tended, he said, to weaken the Government in the House and before the public.

An interesting session, "The session so far has been a very interesting one," Dr. Daniel said, "from the fact that though the House has been in session for five weeks, the debates that have taken place, and even the discussion of the estimates, have been free from tediousness of talking for talk's sake, with the result that much business has been done, and but little time wasted." "The address in reply to the speech from the Throne was disposed of in the record time of five hours, where it often takes as many days, one great reason being that, as far as the Opposition were concerned, all events they determined not to discuss the naval defence business till the Government brought down their bill relating to it.

Government in a Fix. "Speaking of this same naval defence bill, the Government seems to be very loth to bring it down at all. It was the one bill that the Speech from the Throne promised should have immediate attention, and be brought down at once, after the opening of Parliament, but which has so far not been presented to the House. Indeed, it is shrewdly suspected that the budget debate was intended to give the Government more time to make up their own mind on the subject and get if possible some kind of unanimity in the minds of its supporters with regard to the proposals intended to be made, or rather to shape the proposals in such a way as to get the greatest amount of support from its adherents.

"There is no doubt a great divergence of opinion among them at present. Perhaps the festivities of Yuletide followed by the New Year's good resolutions will bring about a more harmony where there is at present much discord of opinion. However this may be the subject is the most important that has come before Parliament in many years, for it will have very much to do with the future of the Empire and the position of Canada will hold in it or out of it.

UNION JACK NOT GOOD ENOUGH

The Union Jack or the broad white ensign with the red cross of St. George flown by the Royal Navy does not appear to be a good enough flag for the masters of military and naval strategy, but they must have a different flag of their own.

GYROSCOPE CAR IN NEW YORK NOW

The gyroscope monorail on board the President Grant is twenty feet long and four feet wide and will accommodate ten persons. exhibition of his gyroscope in Berlin before Government officials, military officers and transportation authorities and the public from November 10 to 15.

IMPORTANCE OF ELECTRIC ROAD STRONGLY URGED

Hon. Robert Maxwell Returns From Ottawa Conference—Motive Power Used On G. T. P. An Important Question.

Hon. Robert Maxwell, who was one of the delegation from this province to the conference arranged at Ottawa by Premier Hazen and Sir Wilfrid Laurier with reference to the electrifying of the G. T. P. as recommended in a resolution adopted in the local legislature, returned to the city Saturday. Among the delegates were Hon. Mr. Maxwell, Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer and Hon. H. F. McLeod, representing the Provincial Government, Hon. J. P. Burchill, M.P.P., and Mr. J. P. Byrne, M.P.P., mover and seconder of the resolution, Hon. Chas. E. Oak of the Miramichi Lumber Company, and Mr. W. T. Whitehead, of the N. B. Land & Railway Co.

Hon. Messrs. Fisher and Pagsley represented the Dominion Government and the matter was left in their hands to report to the cabinet. Mr. Fisher expressed himself as fully aware of the importance of the preservation of the forests and promised that the Government would make the matter their most serious consideration.

CREW ESCAPES FROM BURNING FISHERMAN

Fishing Tug Penelope Burns To Water's Edge While Crew Battle For Lives Among Ice Floes Of Lakes.

Lorain, Ohio, Dec. 19.—The fishing tug Penelope, of Cleveland, burned this afternoon four miles off shore. The crew of three escaped after a battle with ice floes in the bitter cold which almost cost them their lives.

POLICE BAFFLED BY WOULD-BE SUICIDE

Girl Found Dying In Norfolk, Virginia, Last Week, Still Withholds Identity—Authorities Completely Mystified.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 19.—Having thus far successfully resisted every effort to ascertain her identity, the strange young woman who at Virginia Beach last week, signed herself "Ruth Morton, Chicago," prior to attempting suicide, both by laceration and shooting, still lies unconscious at St. Vincent's Hospital tonight, with the mystery surrounding her case as deep as ever.

BISHOP LAWRENCE RAPS CHURCH FAIRS

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—"When a church depends upon fairs, entertainments and spasmodic effort for support, it loses its dignity and influence throughout the whole community," states Right Rev. William Lawrence, Episcopal bishop of Massachusetts, in a circular letter sent to the clergy and laity of his diocese. The letter also emphasizes the importance of the churches paying the minister's salaries promptly that the clergy may not endure the shame of having unpaid bills.

200 NEGROES HELD FOR ST. LOUIS MURDER

East St. Louis, Ill., Dec. 19.—Three hundred negroes, each answering in some particular the description of the highwayman who shot and killed McOrman Eugene V. Goby and probably fatally wounded Conductor M. P. O'Brien on a street car last night, are held at police headquarters tonight. The negroes were captured by citizens. The fugitive sought for obtained \$40 from O'Brien last night by cutting out his pockets and taking the money charger. The car after the negro left at ran uncontrolled for four miles into the centre of East St. Louis.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

600 Brace Of Pheasants For Friends In Canada—Ship Loses An Old Friend On Voyage Out.

Not the least interesting items in the cargo of the Allan steamer Tunisian which arrived here yesterday from Liverpool via Halifax were 600 brace of pheasants consigned by Lord Strathcona as Christmas presents to numerous friends throughout Canada. Once a ranger of the wide plains of the Canadian West and a mighty hunter, Lord Strathcona now draws tribute from his parks and preserves in Meville England and sends the proceeds to his friends in the newer land at the happy Yuletide season.

The Tunisian left Liverpool on Dec. 10th and on the voyage to Halifax broke her own record, besides lowering the time made by the turbine Victoria to Halifax this season. This was done in spite of the handicap of a dense fog early in the voyage which necessitated half speed for eight hours and later strong westerly gales and high seas.

CORINTHIAN ASHORE IN HALIFAX HARBOR

Shortly before noon a fleet of tow boats consisting of the F. W. Roebling, the Shannon, the Togo and the Goliath, got great twelve inch hawsers to the stranded steamer; they pulled astern from the after part of the Corinthian, the steamer's own engines adding to the force. For an hour the terrific strain was kept up, the propellers of the four tow boats and of the liner churning the water furiously, so that the noise could be heard all along the water front. All efforts were made to get the Corinthian afloat, but it was decided to postpone further efforts until today when the ship will be lightened.

CRUISER SENT FOR

The C. P. R. towboat at St. John, said to be the most powerful on the American coast, was wired for and will arrive early this morning. With some of the cargo out and reinforced by the St. John towboat the Corinthian may be got off today. If not then the liner will have to be lightened till the steamer can be moved with 7000 tons aboard this is certain to be accomplished and probably before the half of the cargo is removed.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE

Letter of Administration of the estate and effects of James C. Boyle, late of the Parish of St. Johns, in the County of the City and County of Saint John, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of the City and County of Saint John and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to file the same duly attested at the office of George H. V. Belyea, Solicitor, 45 Canterbury street, Saint John, N. B., within three months from this date, and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. ELLEN BOYLE, Administratrix. St. John, N. B., Nov. 22nd, A.D., 1906.

CANDIDATES WHO PASSED CIVIL SERVICE

The Official List Of Those Who Were Successful In The Recent Qualifying Examinations For The Civil Service.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The following candidates have passed the preliminary examination for the outside civil service held on November 9:

At St. John—Arthur Byrt, Thomas Casey, Fred W. Cox, Albert C. Currier, Jeremiah J. Donovan, Fred Joyce, Thomas G. Morgan, William J. McLean, Harry R. McKim, Francis E. O'Donnell, Walker P. Pheasant, Jas. B. Power, H. H. Puddington, Wilson.

At Charlottetown—Josie Cook, Gertrude Coyle, Edith Hayden, Katie Matheson, Berne MacMillan, John McDonald, Carrie McDougall, Maude McLeod, Mary McLean, William P. H. McNeill, Hazen M. Newton, May Power, Ella B. Sinnott, William W. Smith, Ethel L. Wray.

The following have passed the higher grade examinations:

At Charlottetown—Kenneth H. Irving, Adelaide W. Newberry, Wm. W. Smith, Leith Wright.

At St. John—Patrick E. Barry, Leonard T. Cronin, Fred J. Newcombe, George E. Nugent, Harry H. Puddington, J. J. Dwyer.

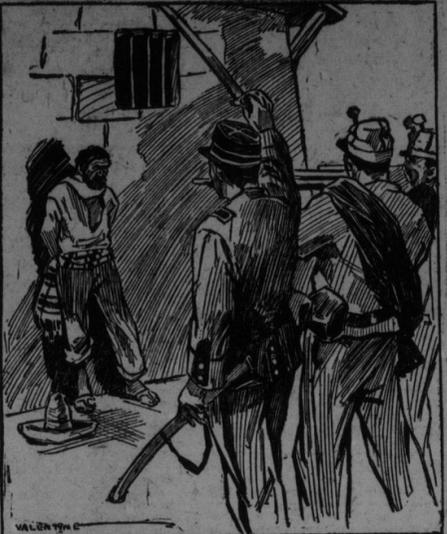
At Halifax—Gladys S. Boreham, Guy E. Downie, Zohet D. Freeman, John T. Lebbetter, Heber Logan, John J. MacCallan, Alan J. MacCormick, Charles F. O'Brien, Dennis J. John, Harold L. Wall, Harry W. Wilson, Elma S. Shand, John B. Hanway.

TYRANNY, SLAVERY AND DEATH IN MEXICO TODAY.

Killing of Slaves and the Execution of Labor Strikers Calmly Admitted by Press.

Newspaper Organs of President Diaz Make No Bones of the Truth in Charges.

There is slavery, political persecution, imprisonment for free speaking and suppression of personal and political liberty in Mexico at this present moment, declared the editors of American Magazine in the edition issued today. They base their statements on reports of conditions which have reached them since the series of articles on Barbarous Mexico was begun.



It is well understood, although not a law, that a man who interferes with another in his work in Mexico is in serious danger of being placed against a wall at sunrise and shot. This, of course, adds much to the safety of investments in Mexico.

Rafel Sevilla telegraphed to Jose Mantilla regarding the need for labor in the following, according to the article:

Romano—Same conditions as in the shipment, would take 50 families. Menendez—Expect 25 families besides and awaiting decision of planter of Teapa to take over 10 more families.

Bulnes—Wants five families for which he has made arrangements.

Valenzuela—Wants to know conditions to see if convenient to him.

The article quotes the Los Angeles Times, friendly to Diaz, which in pointing out the inducements offered to foreign capital in Mexico said: "It is well understood, although not a law, that a man who interferes with another man in his work in Mexico, is in serious danger of being placed up against a wall at sunrise and shot."

A writer in the Mexican Herald is quoted as hearing a planter say:

"Kill Them. When you get them they're yours and have to do what you want them to do; if they don't you can kill them."

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"Come," says a correspondent of the American, "and see hundreds of armed men try to force people into silence. Come and see the independent."

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Special to The Standard.

By W. G. Shepherd.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—Harvey S. Chase is a doctor of sick cities.

Chase has had a big part to play in forming the remarkable new charter of Boston.

"I know city graft when I see it. And Boston's new charter will make graft impossible," he said. "Municipal grafters can't work in Boston now."

"Why?"

"Because we've got the white light turned on every city official, every minute of the time."

"But suppose his party stands up for him, even if he is a grafter?"

"I asked."

"There won't be any party in Boston. Our new charter says there shall not be any primary election or caucus in Boston hereafter."

"How can you choose candidates without primary elections?"

"Any citizen who wants to be a candidate for any office gets his name on the ballot by petition of 5000 citizens. That's the only way he can get on. No one can get what party he belongs to or what his opinions on municipal affairs are, after he gets on the ballot, because the names or emblems of parties are not allowed on the ballots—only the names of the candidates."

"Tremendously large ballot," I suggested.

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Only a woman of decided character, or a woman of pronounced indifference to personal appearance ignoring the changing modes in hair dressing, if a woman has discovered beyond possibility of mistake that a certain simple style of coiffure suits her perfectly and emphasizes her individual charm she shows profound wisdom in holding to that coiffure through all the changing fashions.

It lends her individuality and distinction, sets her apart from the crowd. But, we repeat, the absolute fitness of this coiffure must be beyond question. Many women realize it do not know what they are doing, and one's own personal taste is not always a safe guide.

Another point to be emphasized is the similarity to which we have just referred. A coiffure that is to endure year after year must have nothing of the bizarre or freakish, must be natural and must either be a testimonial to beautiful natural hair or a concession to a type of face and figure.

This individuality of coiffure demands much of a modish woman, for it not only must be perfectly suited to the woman, but to the hats worn with it; and there comes in the difficult problem of adapting changing millinery modes to an unchanging coiffure, a problem which calls for unerring taste in either milliner or customer.

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Imagine the president of the United States interfering in this drastic manner with the freedom of election in Illinois or Oregon. Yet Mexico was called a republic and its constitution was modeled upon ours.

The American's article tells of the coming presidential election in Mexico due next summer. Diaz, in 1907, declared that he would not be a candidate for the presidency again, but lately he has come forward with soft phrases, declaring that he would yield to the public demand and accept another nomination. Diaz, who is 79 years of age, has chosen Ramon Corral, the vice-president of Mexico, to run with him again. Gen. Bernardo Reyes was so popular that clubs and societies sprang up everywhere to advance his nomination for the vice-presidency, but Corral had previously worked hand in glove with Diaz, and therefore Reyes mysteriously withdrew, though the article declares that a word from him would have produced the most powerful revolution in 30 years.

Today Reyes is in Europe on a government mission which presumably takes him out of the vice-presidential campaign. Reyes is popular because he has always opposed the government and the exploitation of the country. He has been practically exiled from Mexico.

A few weeks ago Celso S. Cortez, an officer of an Reylist club, was imprisoned for saying that the re-election of Corral would be dishonorable to Mexico. In spite of Reyes' absence the campaign for his nomination goes on. Army officers who favor Reyes were sent to out-of-the-way posts.

The list of newspaper men who have opposed Diaz and who are now in prison, is a long one, and it is estimated in the article that 20 journals have been stopped in the last two months. Francisco Marino, an editor of Guanajuato, was imprisoned because he signed a protest in favor of the victims of official persecution and not only was he imprisoned, but likewise his wife. She gave birth to a child while in jail, and because of ill treatment the child died soon afterward. The editors of El Anti-Re-electionista were arrested because they published an article offensive to Diaz entitled "What is the mystery of the greeting between Taft and Diaz?" The editors, the advertising men, 15 printers and three girls were jailed.

The Mexican Herald reported recently that 14 newboys were held at the central police station because they refused to sell a certain political newspaper. The boys to escape arrest, hid the paper as usual every morning, and then went around the corner and tore them up. The spirit of protest against the government was thus put down among the common people that the newboys laughed at the persons who asked for pro-Diaz papers and would offer only opposing newspapers.

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THE SAWDUST WHARF AND GOVERNMENT POLICY.

The worst feature in the Sawdust wharf scandal is the attitude of the Minister of Public Works, his colleagues and his supporters, concerning it. If they would admit that a wrong had been done and give some sign that the Government and its friends do not desire such things to be done and wish to protect the treasury from such swindles, the situation would be less unwholesome. If Mr. Pugsley would say that the payment of \$5,000 for a property worth only \$700 could not be justified, giving the public to understand that he did not defend such swindles, and did not intend to permit them in the future, the people might regard this hoodlum operation as an exceptional matter. It might be said by one anxious to defend the Department of Public Works that in the multitude of small transactions some cases of dishonesty would occur, but that they are not the rule, and that the spirit of the Government is against such offences.

But Mr. Pugsley, his colleagues, his organs and his supporters, make this interpretation impossible. They declare that the transaction is regular. They find nothing unusual or undesirable in the payment by Government of \$5,000 for a wharf which could have been bought for \$700, and which was offered to Government officers for \$1,000. They ridicule the members who bring the facts to light. They seem to be thoroughly satisfied with the whole contemptible piece of graft.

What is the conclusion? Only this, that officers of the Government are to consider themselves authorized to pay seven times the right price for property they are buying for the public, provided the raffle-off goes to the proper persons. That political adventurers are invited to exploit the treasury in this way, and are assured of Government assistance in the attempt and of protection afterward. That there is no desire or intention at Ottawa to buy for the public at honest prices.

Thus the Richibucto deal, which might have been treated as a petty individual offence against the treasury, and against the Government also, becomes through the attitude of ministers and their supporters an acknowledged sign and sample of Government policy and methods.

LLOYD-GEORGE AND THE FREE CHURCHMEN.

Mr. Lloyd-George seems to have a working compact with his colleagues of the English and Scottish established churches, permitting to make special appeal to Free Church people of non-conformists, against the Establishment. Those who heard the chancellor's recent impassioned denunciation of the Anglican order must have expected him to go away and sever himself from political association with his own leader, and with all but two or three members of the cabinet. The sovereign whom he serves belongs to the communion which he denounces. So do the Premier, the Lord Chancellor, the leader of the Government in the House of Lords, the Foreign Secretary, the Home Secretary, the head of the War Department and the Colonial Secretary. The only conspicuous non-conformists in the cabinet are Mr. Lloyd-George himself, Mr. John Burns, and Lord Morley. The latter is, however, no more a Free Churchman than an Anglican, but is a dissenter from all schools of religious believers. The budget is therefore much more the product of Anglican ideas than of the Free Church school, if churches can be said to have anything to do with it.

On the other hand, Mr. Chamberlain, a former leader among the Non-conformists, is opposed to Mr. Lloyd-George and his policy. Sir Robert Perks, who is the chairman of the Non-conformists representation in the House of Commons, and who is an ardent Liberal, is opposed to the Lloyd-George programme, and will not support it in the coming campaign. While the Free Church adherents are not all flocking to the Government banner even in response to appeals like those of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, one would expect to find Liberal Churchmen much annoyed at what the London Times describes as a return to parish politics.

THE OCEAN HIGHWAY.

The Boston Post repeats the ancient statement that Canada is separated from the United States by only an imaginary boundary, while from England it is separated by thousands of miles of water.

The situation is quite different. Canada is separated from the greater part of the United States by great stretches of land. It is connected with England by water. If we are considering questions of trade these thousands of miles of water are less an obstacle than a much shorter land distance. It cost less to send freight from St. John to Liverpool than it does to convey the same goods from one part of New York state to another. It is a vastly cheaper journey from Montreal to England than to some parts of the United States.

The idea that countries are separated by seas is true in the sense that a water boundary is definite and convenient. In old times the sea might be regarded as a defence, but now a coast is a doubtful advantage for protection.

But whatever may be the merits of an insular position to a nation, it is no longer good sense to speak of the ocean as a barrier between different parts of the same country. One thing which will assist in the closer organization of the Empire is the sea ocean highway which joins the Dominion to the Mother Country.

IMMIGRANTS AT SEA.

The ghastly story sent out from Washington about life in the steerage of immigrant ships may have been wholly true, or partly true and partly hysterical. But The Standard has made pretty careful investigation of the conditions under which immigrants come to this winter port, and does not find that the Washington story applies. Of course the accommodation is not such as passengers get who pay three or four times the fare. There is less room, plain fare, and simple furnishings. But the arrangements are such as decency, delicacy and morality require. There is no more excuse for improper conduct, and no less protection for women and girls than in the saloon, or on the train across the continent.

IMMIGRATION TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

Step by step the Provincial Government is developing a sound and careful policy of immigration and settlement. First a superintendent was appointed with headquarters in this city. Mr. Wilnot began by seeking opportunities and engagements in New Brunswick for a good class of immigrants of the farming and domestic servant class. Such information as he gathered he made known in Great Britain. Each settler so obtained becomes an agent in a small way, and now each ship from Scotland brings a few immigrants who know that they will have no trouble to find an engagement when they arrive. After the ground had been carefully surveyed, Mr. Bowden, an English settler who had done well in this province, was induced to take up propagation work in England. Here the Canadian Pacific Company joined the Provincial ministry by meeting part of the cost, and also by preparing and circulating by Mr. Bowden and otherwise attractive literature commending this province as a home for settlers. Splendid exhibits of New Brunswick fruit were sent over by the province as further argument of the productiveness of this part of Canada. It is now found advisable to do some further detailed work in the northern part of this province for the purpose of finding good homes and engagements for settlers who wish to work out, and also to prepare the way for those who wish to acquire land. An efficient agent has been engaged to take up this service. Meanwhile this province was apparently the first to hold out inducement for settlement of retired soldiers who desire to commute their pensions in whole or part so that they may acquire land and a home for themselves and their family. In the case of these men, and for that matter of all settlers, the Government is determined to do all that is possible to make sure that they get value for their money. Every possible protection is afforded to prevent improvident purchases and reduce the risk which is undertaken by the new-comer.

THIS IS NO GRIEVANCE.

The New York Herald is accused by a London journal of a deliberate attempt to create ill-feeling between Canada and Great Britain by long and heavily displayed accounts of the expulsion of a Canadian student from Saxony. The Herald's statement is that young Scott sought protection from the British consul, but this official was a German and did nothing. Whereupon the Herald insists that Canada ought to have ministers and consuls of her own. In italics the New York Herald says of the prevailing system:—"Progressive, courageous, and ambitious, the Canadians are the last people in the world likely to submit indefinitely to such humiliating 'tutelage,' and again, 'It is not the granting to Canada of the right to appoint her own ambassadors, ministers and consuls that will promote discord between the 'Dominion and the Mother Country. It is a refusal of that right which will stir up strife.'"

There is no danger that the Herald's agitation over the banished student will make trouble. At this stage nothing is known about the matter except that the young Canadian was disorderly and beat some person or persons in the country where he was supposed to be seeking an education, and that he was requested to leave his state. Perhaps he was let off easily. Possibly it was for his own health that he was sent away. It may be that he was merely turned out of the school. We do not yet know whether the German who represents the British Government as consul at that point was satisfied that the best thing was done, or whether he was an indifferent or incompetent agent.

But the people of Canada have strong grounds for believing that the British diplomatic service is the best in the world. They are not in the least anxious to establish a corps of ambassadors at all foreign courts, and a larger army of consuls—all Canadians—at every important centre of population in the world. For every Canadian sojourning or visiting Saxony, there are hundreds from Great Britain. If the place where the student resided and performed his offence was not considered of sufficient importance to require a consul sent thither from Great Britain, it is not likely that Canada would have a man of her own there if she were an independent nation. One would like to know who represents the United States at that point. The United States is the only foreign country which sends a consul to St. John. From the whole continent of Europe there are consuls at only two or three centres in Canada. Local men are appointed by the nations to look after their interests in our chief ports.

The Herald may be assured that Canada is not refused the right to appoint diplomatic and consular representatives all over the world where British officials now guard the interests of the British Empire. This privilege has not been sought and will not be sought. If Britain were to insist upon Canada taking up that vast diplomatic service, then, indeed, we should have discord.

Sir Fred Boden says that the contract for the last 500 Ross rifles, such as were used at Bislis, was a contract for "conversion" of existing patterns. Thus the minister maintains that the unhappy Mark One is not useless. The Minister of Militia has not explained how a rifle can be converted into another pattern, much longer in the barrel and considerably heavier. What really happened, as Col. Worthington says, is that 500 new rifles were purchased at much higher prices than the old ones, and that the original 9,000 Mark One rifles are still lying about.

George Salting, of London, a great collector of works of art, who inherited a great fortune, devoted his whole time and income to the collection of treasures in Oriental wares, enamels, cameos, carvings, with rare works of goldsmiths, silversmiths and other artificers. One part of his collection was valued at a million sterling. By his will all this property is left to the British nation so that the collection is not to be divided, and fanciers will miss an expected art sale.

T. D. Murray, a Liberal stalwart, bought a wharf at Richibucto, New Brunswick, for \$700 and sold it six months later to the Government which had previously refused to pay a thousand dollars for it, for five thousand dollars. A profit of six hundred and fifteen per cent. in six months is considerably better than most of us can do with our savings.—Ottawa Journal.

The Copenhagen geographers are working away with the story of Dr. Cook, positively refusing to say what they think about the matter, so far as they have gone. Nevertheless several reporters are kindly telling the world what the verdict will be.

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The statement of a Bulgarian military officer now in London that all officers of the Bulgarian reserve who may be abroad have their secret cipher with the War Office, and that it is only necessary for them to receive a single cipher word in order to proceed immediately to the scene of operations, says the Washington Star, calls attention to the fact that there is now living in England, all unknown to the general public, one of the greatest cipher experts in the world. It is John C. Hartfield, of No. 91 Fleet Street. He has just completed what he regards as his masterpiece—a cipher or code book containing no fewer than 36,000,000 words, with no two words alike. Every word is readily pronounceable, but without the key its meaning would baffle the united ingenuity of all the linguists living. While the name of Mr. Hartfield is by no means unknown in certain London embassies, his present work was compiled at enormous labor and expense to the order of a private business firm. It is no exaggeration indeed, to state that for a work containing simple black letterpress only, it is the most costly book ever compiled for private use.

Required Four Years. Though the work contains merely of a couple of unpretentious black bound volumes, it has taken the "code king" with a quarter of a century's experience at his back, four solid years, working under intense strain thirteen and often sixteen hours a day all the year round, to complete it. The stupendous amount of labor involved in the compilation of such a book may be gauged from the following table:

Possible combination of phrases contained (about)	2,800,000,000
Cipher words	36,000,000
Words coding messages, dis- cords, offers, &c	24,000,000
Coded amounts, numerals &c	6,000,000
Conversational phrases coded	6,000,000
Hours spent by compiler in preparing work (ap- proximate)	2,500
Number of pages	2,500
Combined weight of two volumes, pounds	15
Measurements of each volume, inches	15 by 11

The new code book, which from now onward will be guarded jealously from outside eyes, is in charge of four special code clerks. They must be more accurate than even bookkeepers for a single mistake in translating a message might involve irreparable loss of hundreds of pounds to the firm. Owing partly to the special aptitude required for original code work, all the cipher experts in the world may be numbered on the fingers of two hands. Mr. Hartfield is probably the only expert living who is his own printer and publisher, and keeps

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was celebrated by Rev. Chas. Collins. Interment was made in the Sand Cove burying ground.

Miss Blanche Howes.
The funeral of Blanche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howes, took place on Saturday afternoon from the residence of her parents, 52 Sheriff Street. The burial service was conducted by Rev. P. McKim, and interment was made in the Church of England burying ground.

Mr. William Montgomery.
The funeral of Mr. William Montgomery, who was killed at Grand Bay, took place at noon on Saturday from the I. C. R. depot. Service was conducted at Grand Bay by Rev. L. A. McLean. Interment was made at Fernhill.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dallas.
The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Dallas was held yesterday afternoon from the S. A. Barracks, Charlotte

street to Fernhill. The burial service was read by officers of the Salvation Army.

Canton La Tour Fair.
On Saturday afternoon Santa Claus paid a visit to the Canton La Tour Fair in Keith's Assembly Rooms and was greeted by a large number of children and to each of whom he presented a seasonal gift. The afternoon door prize was a handsome doll. In the evening there was a good attendance and all the games and booths were well patronized. In the voting contest for the most popular fireman Mr. W. P. Sanderson is the lead. Mr. H. Lemon stands first so far as the most popular Odd Fellow. The contest for the most popular street railway conductor and motorman is very close between several competitors. The fair will be continued tonight.

FUNERALS.
Mr. John M. Anderson.
Then funeral of Mr. John M. Anderson took place on Saturday afternoon from his late residence, 150 Britain Street. Service was conducted at St. James' church by Rev. E. A. Armstrong and Rev. O. A. Kuhring. Interment was made at Fernhill.

Mrs. Katherine Murphy.
The funeral of Mrs. Katherine Murphy took place on Saturday morning from her late residence, Fairville. The body was taken to St. Rose's church, where Requiem High Mass

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MONTREAL STOCK MARKET

Table of Montreal Stock Market prices for various stocks including Asbestos, Bell Telephone, Canadian Pacific, and others.

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Table of Montreal Stock Exchange prices for various stocks including Asbestos, Bell Telephone, and others.

NEWS SUMMARY

Five sugar checkers found guilty. Penna. makes settlement with its engineers. Two per cent. dividend expected on Standard Oil appeal is allowed.

MARION DICKINSON AUTHOR, A SUICIDE

Boston, Dec. 18.—Miss Marion Dickinson, aged 46, writer of child poems and stories, and a music teacher, committed suicide by hanging at the McLean hospital in Waverly yesterday.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET; SATURDAY'S TRADING ON WALL ST. ST. JOHN MKT. QUOTATIONS

Table of New York Stock Market quotations for various stocks including Amalgamated Copper, American Car and Foundry, and others.

DEALINGS OF STOCK MARKET THE WEEK IN REVIEW

New York, N.Y., Dec. 18.—The stock market last week reflected the shifting influences of conflicting factors in the speculation by the irregular and rather narrow fluctuations in the price movement. The year end requirements on the money market exercised some constraint on the activity.

STATEMENTS OF BANKS FOR NOVEMBER

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—The bank statement for November shows a marked increase in the deposits in Canadian banks. The deposits on demand were \$24,285,802, as against \$20,946,487, \$24,285,802, October \$25,544,887.

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REPORTS AND DISASTERS

Vineyard Haven, Mass. Dec. 18.—The schooner Governor Brooks from Norfolk for Portland tonight was seen flying distress signals at her anchorage in Vineyard Sound.

MARINE NOTES

Bay steamer Westport, Capt. C. G. G. of the Insular S. S. Co., will haul up in Yarmouth on Wednesday for repairs. Until further notice the tug George L., Capt. Morehouse, will be from the St. John's Bay service.

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NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT

New York, Dec. 18.—There were a number of features to the market during the short session which not only gave activity but character to the trading. Rock Island, Denver, L. & N. and Rubber stocks were of a more bullish character than usual.

THOS. J. LYNCH NAT'L SPORTS BOWLING, BASEBALL THE RING, FOOTBALL LEAGUE'S NEW HEAD

MY HARDEST NUT WAS HANK GRIFFIN

Jack Johnson Declares That Go With Colored Opponent Was Hardest in His Career.

(By Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world.) One of the hardest battles and one which I consider the best in my career in the prize ring, I fought against Hank Griffin, a colored man, at Oakland, Cal., in 1902. We went 15 rounds, the decision going to me. Griffin was a pug about six feet four inches in height and at that time he had the longest reach of any man in the boxing game. If he were fighting today he would outreach any man in the business.



JACK JOHNSON. In this fight I was able to avoid that punch of Griffin's, which had bothered me so much in the first fight. At that time I was not as well developed nor did I have the physique I now have, and it is probable that men who in the earlier days gave me considerable trouble would not bother me so much now.

UMPIRE KING SUCCEEDS TO LEAGUE'S HEAD

Thomas J. Lynch Elected President of National League Following a Conference Held Between Managers.

New York, Dec. 18.—The deadlock in the National League over the election of a president was unexpectedly broken this afternoon by the unanimous selection of Thomas J. Lynch, whose name had not been considered or publicly mentioned for the position. There is reason to believe that the eight league presidents held a secret conference which did not end until 2 o'clock this morning at which the supporters of John M. Ward of New York and Robert W. Brown of Louisville, came to an understanding. It was understood that each side seeing that the other was firm, instructed John T. Brush of the New York Club to select a man whose name had not been before the league as a candidate. Brush consulted none of his colleagues but telegraphed to New Britain, Conn., for Thomas J. Lynch to come to the Waldorf Astoria at once.

RISKS LIFE TO EDUCATE HIS DAUGHTER

Life of "Winnie" O'Connor a Round of Sacrifice--Dislikes Riding, but Sticks To It Through Thick and Thin.



Thinking of "Winnie" O'Connor, a product of his hand and head, when asked to define the essentials of a successful jockey, "Pa" Daly gave the answer which has since become famous: "Just a tinge of wickedness, with a touch of devil-may-care; just a little bit of bone and meat, with plenty of nerve to dare." And nothing could describe Winnie better than Scott O'Connor better. If ever there was a devil-may-care kid who the youngster whose name was almost as long as himself when W. C. Daly picked him up. In the wild, wiry, tough lad with the glib tongue, "Pa" saw the making of a star jockey.

TWO H'S TAKE THREE POINTS FROM DIVALS

Closely Contested Match Witnessed On Black's Alleys Saturday Night--One Pin Does Trick in Last Game.

In one of the most closely contested matches of the season the Two H's won three points from the Electric on Black's alleys on Saturday evening. The scores were rather low but nevertheless the game was full of interest and the game was not decided until the last man had rolled. In the second string the scores were particularly close, the Two H's finishing with but one stick to the good.

FIVE MILE AUTO RECORD GONE SMASH

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—The five mile speed record for an auto upon an elliptical track was broken on the motor speedway today by Louis Strang, driving a 200 horse power Fiat car, in 3:17.26. The record had been held by Oldfield, who covered the distance with a Benz car in 4:11.30 last summer on this course, before it was paved with brick.

LATE SHIPPING

British Ports. Liverpool, Dec. 19.—Ard: Str Devonian from Boston. Queenstown, Dec. 19.—Sld: Strs Laurentia for New York; Lusitania, for New York. Moville, Dec. 19.—Sld: Str Furnessia for New York. Bristol, Dec. 19.—Sld: Str Turcoman for Portland. Liverpool, Dec. 18.—Sld: Str Manchester Importer, from St. John, N. B. (and proceeded). America, from New York for Cherbourg and Southampton (and proceeded). Queenstown, Dec. 19.—Ard: Str Caramania, from New York for Liverpool (and proceeded). Moville, Dec. 19.—Ard: Str Calcutta, from New York for Glasgow (and proceeded).

THE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG IS THE LATEST

London, Dec. 19.—A novel breed of dog that is making its appearance in English show rings and one that is bound to come to the front, is in the hands of the right people, is the Shetland sheepdog. From its name one who has not seen a specimen would imagine the variety to be something similar in make and shape to the long haired bobtail, or a cross between that breed and the Scotch collie, as it is well known such a union produces an ideal dog for herding cattle. Such, however, is not the case. The Shetland sheepdog is not a large dog at all; in fact, it is smaller than a Pekinese spaniel. It is a collie in miniature, and it is certainly the exhibits so far seen in London do not possess the beautiful lines of the graceful collie and none of them has the finely pointed head of the larger Scotch dog, but in other respects there are many resemblances between the two. Owners of these dogs include the Countess of Aberdeen, who has several fine specimens in Aberdeen; Tibbie, Marquess of Aberdeen; Norma, the first mentioned of which trio gained chief winning honors at the recent Ladies' Kennel Association show; Mrs. Fellen, of Beacontrope, Holt, Norfolk; Miss A. Duncan, of Knoxtown, Grange, Oakham, both of whom were also successful at the same exhibition; and Mrs. C. Ashton-Cross, the owner of the famous Pekinese spaniel Champion Chu-Erh of Aldbourne, which won the Herald Cup, and many other noted specimens of the same breed.

YALE PAPERS PRAISE UPPER CANADA GAME

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 19.—The opinion of W. F. Garrison, the graduate advisor of athletics at Harvard, that Canadian football or any part of it is of little use to makers of the rules of the game as played in the United States, is not held by any of the men in New Haven who are students of football. The papers here editorially have commented hopefully on the proposed change in the playing rules, and all are optimistic concerning the future of the game. This attitude is not only taken by the daily press in this home of good football, but by the Yale News, the official undergraduate organ of the university. The football players, trainers and coaches are convinced that the New York Herald's interest in having a demonstration of the Canadian game here will bear fruit before next fall.

STATUS OF BIG MEET QUESTIONED

New York, Dec. 19.—Aviators and aeronauts here and abroad are getting nervous about the official status of the big aviation meeting to be held in Los Angeles, Cal., January 10 to 20. Unless the meeting there shall receive the official sanction of the Aero Club of America and the International Aeronautic Federation all aviators and aeronauts who take part will be officially ostracized and debarred from participating in future international events over which the federation has control.

GARDINER DEFEATS DORANDO

London, Dec. 18.—Pietro Dorando, the Italian runner, collapsed in the twenty-third mile of his Marathon race against B. W. Gardiner, a local runner, at Albert Hall tonight. Gardiner's time for the 25 miles was 2 hours, 12 minutes 25 seconds, a new world's indoor record. The time for the full distance was 2 hours, 37 minutes 12 seconds.

YALE DEFEATS M'GILL AT BASKET BALL

Yale defeated McGill at basketball Saturday morning in the Class A boys' Y. M. C. A. League. The teams lined up as follows: McGill: Forwards, McGill; Guards, McGill. Yale: Forwards, McGill; Guards, McGill.

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FIGHT DRAW

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Danny Webster, of Los Angeles and Monte Atell, of San Francisco, fought a weight champion of the coast, tonight.

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SNEAK THIEF ON THE WARPATH AT CAPITAL Mrs. W. G. Dykeman of Fredericton Victim of Daring Hold Up--Coachman in Serious Accident--At the Churches. Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 19.—A daring sneak thief got in his handiwork in among the Christmas shoppers last night and so far has not been apprehended. He took Mrs. W. G. Dykeman by complete surprise at a dark spot on Westmoreland street and grabbed her hand bag with such force as to snap the small chain by which it was held. He then beat a hasty retreat. Several dollars were the total contents of the handbag. The thief left no clue to his identity. James Christie the oldest coachman in the city met with a serious and painful accident Saturday night. He was taking a trunk from the front of his coach at I. C. R. station, when the trunk slid off and carried him with it. He was thrown to the ground and when the horses started up the coach wheels passed over his left thigh, causing a fracture. He was conveyed to the Victoria Hospital and will probably be laid up all winter.

From Time To Time We Feel called upon to draw your attention, Mr. Advertiser, to the value of St. John's newest morning daily, as a connecting link between You, Store and Our Public. Not that phrase Our Public. The Standard goes Three Hundred and Twelve mornings out of a year to the breakfast tables, offices and watercooks, but breakfast tables, of a patronage that is almost entirely unsolicited, that has at the least never been tempted into subscription by offers so brilliant as to make it worth of the paper itself, a secondary consideration. The result is summed up in the one word—QUALITY. People who pay willingly and without rebates for our newspaper make good customers for you.

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh winds mostly westerly fair and cold. Toronto, Dec. 19.—Pressure remains low from the great lakes...

AROUND THE CITY

Arrested For Begging. Martin Murphy, an Englishman, was placed under arrest on Saturday by Sgt. Baxter for begging money on Water street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Downie Home. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Downie who were married on Wednesday, Dec. 8, in St. John (Stone) church, returned from their bridal tour on Saturday evening on the Boston express and are now residing in their new home, 23 Coburg street.

Keeping It In The Family. Mr. Harry Gilbert, of Rothesay, brother-in-law of the Hon. Wm. Pugsley, has been appointed to a lucrative position in the Public Works Department at Ottawa.

Liquor Licenses. Thirty-one applications for retail liquor licenses have already been received by Mr. J. B. Jones, liquor licenses inspector. This year sixty retail licenses were granted.

Choral Service in Centenary. An enjoyable choral service was carried out last night in Centenary church at the conclusion of the regular service. Those who assisted in the service were Miss Olivia Murray, violinist; Miss Hea, organist; Mrs. J. Pierce Crockett, Mr. D. B. Pidgeon and Mr. Jas. Griffith, vocalists.

St. Peter's Y. M. C. A. in Debate. An interesting debate on the subject, "Resolved that labor unions are beneficial," was held in St. Peter's Y. M. C. A. rooms yesterday afternoon.

Queen Square S. S. Centennial. Mr. A. B. Gilmour informs The Standard that the centenary of the omission in the historical sketch read at the centennial of Queen Square Sunday school. Special reference should have been made to the late Mr. Thomas Bustin who was one of the oldest members and regular and uninterrupted in his attendance up to his last illness.

Two Accidents at Sand Point. John Campbell, a C. P. R. trucker met with a painful accident, having his right leg badly crushed, while at work in No. 1 shed at Sand Point Saturday night. A gang of C. P. R. truckers were loading long angle irons when one of the heavy pieces fell from the truck across Mr. Campbell's leg, pinning him to the floor.

For Jack's Christmas Comfort Bag. The Seaman's Mission Society is in need of the following articles for the sailors' Christmas comfort bags: 500 skeins of yarn, 500 spools of thread, 500 rolls of cotton for bandages, 500 bottles of vaseline, 500 needle books, 500 pairs of socks, mitts or mufflers, and 500 packages of sticking plaster.

Easy Money. The dredging on the West Side which has been considerably interrupted of late has now been resumed with two dredges. Mr. John E. Moore's dredge "Cynthia" was laid up for about a fortnight, one of her spuds having been broken.

SANTA CLAUS A VISITOR CENTENARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Merry Christmas Exercises With Novel Features Yesterday Afternoon—360 Children in Happy Mood Build Tree Laden With Their Contributions—Many Gifts To Cheer The Homes Of Those Less Fortunate.

When Superintendent Fred Murray faced his Sunday school of 367 members yesterday afternoon in the large Centenary Methodist schoolroom, he had the large platform mainly to himself, though there was a grove of eight or ten goodly trees growing about him.

Seasonable Greetings. "I wish you all a happy Christmas," said the superintendent having rung the bell. The little folks were ready—"The same to you," they shouted in one terrific yell.

Reception by Santa Claus. At the call of the superintendent the infant class sent forward its tree laden with contributions.

QUALITY OF CANNED GOODS TO BE MORE CLOSELY INSPECTED

C. S. McGillivray, Inspector of Canneries, Here On Annual Trip—300 Factories Are Now Under Supervision.

Mr. C. S. McGillivray, of Ottawa, inspector of food factories and canneries arrived in the city yesterday on his annual trip of inspection. Today, Mr. McGillivray will go to St. George to inspect the pork and beans canning establishment there and returning will visit the three vinegar and pickling factories in this city.

At a meeting of the ladies of the congregation of St. John the Baptist church held last evening, it was decided to postpone the high tea and sale which was to have been held in January until after Easter.

Contributions Acknowledged. The St. John Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, through the secretary, Dr. G. G. Melvin, acknowledges with thanks the following additional contributions:—H. L. Coombs, H. S. Keith, C. Mitchell, D. B. Pidgeon, A. E. Holly, J. E. Brown, the Standard Creamery, G. W. Hoben, G. W. Parker, Henry Rankine, H. J. Dick, A. Friend, Mrs. E. A. Smith, \$1 each; Harold Gilmo, Jas. Fender, \$2 each; Philip Gramma \$5; Baird and Peters \$10; making a total of \$32.

Thorne Lodge Temperance Meeting. Thorne Lodge had another large attendance at the Gospel temperance meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. N. A. Thorne presided and Rev. James Crisp gave a stirring address on the use of strong drink and the evil resulting from it.

LUMBERMEN HAVING POOR SEASON SO FAR IN MIRAMICHI WOODS

Manager For Pulp Co. Says Operations Have Been Suspended In Places—Cold Weather Badly Needed.

Mr. Mark H. Spaulding, resident manager at Chatham, N. B., for the Miramichi Pulp and Paper Co., was in the city yesterday and in conversation with a Standard reporter said that open weather on the Miramichi still continued and that the smelt fishermen were waiting anxiously for the ice to make the river. The ice had gone out after a day or two of freezing and the river was clear to the mouth.

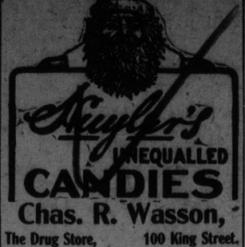
LIVERPOOL TRADE POOR COMPARED TO OTHER YEARS

Capt. Webster Of Lake Champlain Says Thousands Want Employment—Steamer Made Record Trip Across.

After breaking all her previous records from Liverpool to St. John, the C. P. R. S.S. Lake Champlain, in command of Capt. Webster, arrived off the island at 10 o'clock Friday evening and dropped anchor until 11 o'clock Saturday morning, when she docked at No. 1 berth.

Speaking to a Standard reporter yesterday afternoon Capt. Webster said the trade in Liverpool this year was very poor compared with other years. Two years ago steamers could not carry the quantity of freight that offered. Today a large number of steamers were laid up and thousands were out of employment.

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E. CLIFTON BROWN, DRUGGIST, Cor. Union and Waterloo Sts.

Without Money or Friends. Two young girls who came in on trains from the east on Saturday were found on arrival to be absolutely penniless and on applying to the Salvation Army headquarters were admitted to the Metropole. The girls did not appear to know one another but misery likes company and each brightened up considerably on seeing that the other was in the same plight as herself.

PERSONAL. Rev. J. J. McCasill will leave today to spend a brief holiday in Montreal and Fort Kent, Me. Next Sunday service will be conducted at St. Matthew's church by Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell.

Hockey Sticks FOR MEN FOR BOYS

Table listing prices for various types of hockey sticks: Boys' Painted, Men's X Heel, Men's XX Elm, Men's XXX White Ash, Men's Iroquois, Men's Mic-mac, Spalding, Starr Grooved, Rex, Goal IX, Spalding Goal.

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Oregon Lace Work, D'Oyleys, Centres, Tray Cloths, Table Covers, Etc. 6 inch size, each, .30c. 8 inch size, each, .30c to 85c. 12 inch size, each, .50c to \$1.15. 24 inch size, each, \$2.00 to 3.00. 24 inch size, each, 2.40 to 4.85. 36 inch size, each, 3.40 to 6.25. 20 by 46 inches, each, 6.85 to 8.50. 24 by 28 inches, each, 4.00.

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