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BANG! AND THE STOVE BLEW UP

Serious Explosion in a Hotel Kitchen This Morning

WATER PIPES FROZE

And When Kitchen Stove in Metropolitan Hotel Was Lighted the Explosion Followed--Mrs. C. S. Goggin Had Narrow Escape From Injury.

A deafening report, the crash of breaking windows and woodwork, the loud rattle of kitchen utensils and earthenware, accompanied by a scorching shriek from Mrs. C. S. Goggin, aroused the boarders of the Metropolitan Hotel, Charlotte street, at an early hour this morning when the hot water front blew out of the kitchen range.

Mrs. Goggin narrowly escaped serious injury, and about \$100 worth of damage resulted.

Mrs. Goggin, the landlady, went into the kitchen about seven o'clock to superintend the preparation of breakfast. She had no idea that as a result of last night's cold snap the water had been frozen, for she lighted the fire and was engaged in further preparation for the morning meal when, all at once, she was startled by a loud report instantly followed by a shower of stove lids and utensils and the complete wreck of a large kitchen range which was practically new.

So violent was the explosion that the glass in several of the windows was broken, stove lids were hurled to the window sills, portions of the wreck flew to other parts of the room, breaking the crockery, spilling the panel of one of the sideboard doors in three pieces, and breaking a quantity of glassware that had been placed inside.

When Mr. Goggin and others in the house, who were startled by Mrs. Goggin's scream, arrived on the scene the kitchen was a wreck. The floor, window sills and table were strewn with portions of the stove, broken dishes and glassware. No fire was not in clearing up the wreck as best it could be done, and a small round heating stove was procured to service the cooking until a new range could be procured.

CIVIC POLITICS IN MONCTON

Only Two Candidates in Field at Present--Work of Reform League--A New Suburb.

MONCTON, Jan. 9--The civic reform and temperance league organized on Monday night last for the purpose of putting candidates in the field for the purpose of securing a council that will more effectively enforce the Scott Act, has so far not met with very good success. The committee appointed to look up candidates have interviewed a number of gentlemen considered eligible for the purposes of the league, but with very few exceptions they have declined to run. The league meets tomorrow night to receive the report of the committee, but it is doubtful if a full ticket can be presented to the meeting.

In the meantime there is talk of the league taking a hand in the selection of candidates. So far only two candidates are in the field and canvassing. These are Dr. C. T. Purdy, for mayor, and Dr. McCusker, for alderman for ward three. The elections take place on the 28th inst., leaving plenty of time for a large crop of candidates to get into the light.

Another suburb is likely to spring up in the western part of the city. Geo. McSweeney, who has recently divided into building lots his farm situated along the Mountain Road, near the new I. C. R. works, has within the past day or two, sold four lots and has many enquiries from others intending to build in the spring. The name of the new suburb which is just outside the city limits, will be "Georgetown."

MERCURY TOOK SUDDEN SLUMP

Drop of 47 Degrees Reported in Last 24 Hours--A Heavy Gale.

One of the worst gales of the season set in yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Between that time and 4 o'clock this morning the average wind velocity was 36 miles an hour, and at short intervals 48 miles an hour was recorded. Yesterday morning rain was falling with the temperature at 40 degrees. Light snow also fell yesterday with falling temperature. The lowest reading this morning was seven degrees below zero, thus making a drop of 47 degrees in the last 24 hours.

Yesterday's New York Herald says: "It was reported yesterday that negotiations were under way for the sale of the New Brunswick Southern Railway, a small, independent line which is owned by the Russell Sage estate, to the Intercolonial Railway, owned by the Canadian government."

CONVULSIONS OF THE EARTH

Much Damage Done by Landslides and Earthquakes

TRAINS ARE STALLED

By a Serious Landslide in Ganjon Pass, California--Earthquake Shocks in Pennsylvania, Baltimore, Sweden and Norway--Considerable Damage Done.

LOS ANGELES, Cal. Jan. 10--A landslide in the Ganjon Pass has blocked the through trains of the Santa Fe, Salt Lake railroad. The Los Angeles Ltd. due here yesterday afternoon, is tied up behind this slide. East-bound trains of both roads were held here yesterday and will leave this morning. On the Southern Pacific a cave-in at Tunnel No. 17, another at the New Hall Tunnel and the trouble at Tehachapi Mountains, effectively tied up the valley line so that it is impossible to say just when it will be open to traffic to San Francisco. On the coast line to San Francisco, a landslide near Carpinteria and trouble of a like nature near San Luis Obispo has blocked travel.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Jan. 10--A series of shocks, evidently earthquakes were felt in this section from 4.30 to 5.30 this morning. Buildings shook and the families were awakened and rumbling sounds were heard over an area of about 20 miles.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Jan. 10--Two distinct and sharp earthquake shocks were felt at several points in Sweden at 1.20 this morning. Despatches received from Arvika, Mellerud and Stromstad report that the rocking of houses at those places caused a noisy exodus of the alarm inhabitants.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Jan. 10--Two severe shocks of earthquake nature fell here at 1.30 o'clock this morning accompanied by rumblings like thunder. Despatches received here show that the shocks were felt in other places in Norway. The disturbances caused considerable alarm but no damage has been reported.

RICHARD WORTMAN DIED LAST NIGHT

He Was a Crack Hockey Player and Well Known Here.

MONCTON, Jan. 10 (Special)--J. W. Wortman, assistant chief auditor of the I. C. R., received a telegram this morning that his son, Richard Wortman, whose serious illness was recently reported, died last night at Smith's Falls, Ont. Mrs. Wortman was summoned a few days ago to the bedside of her son.

Dick Wortman was well known in St. John and Moncton. He was formerly in the Bank of Montreal here, but after being on the staff of the branch at Clitham and other places, he resigned from the service. Recently he had been on the G. T. P. survey. He was stricken with fever recently, from which he died. Deceased was a well known hockey player, being goal keeper for the former Moncton team, and was also a member of the Moncton track club. He is nephew of J. T. Nevins, of St. John, and was about 25 years of age. His death is learned with deep regret by his many friends here.

The body will arrive in St. John on the C. P. R. tomorrow and the funeral will be held from the Union depot to the Church of England burial ground.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Woodstock Man Negotiating for a Lease of the Barker House.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 10 (Special)--T. V. Monahan, of Woodstock, is in the city today negotiating for the purchase of the Barker House, and it is said he has good prospects of being able to make a deal with Proprietor Coleman.

Rev. J. R. Devolite Cowie has been appointed canon of Christ church cathedral, and has also had a substantial increase made in his salary.

The contract for building the Ketchum wharf in Kings county has been awarded to George Appleby.

Three privates deserted from the Royal Regiment here on Tuesday night and are thought to have crossed the border. Sergeant Morgan is absent from the corps without leave, and it is thought he has joined the exodus.

Mrs. R. W. Gregory fell on the sidewalk on Government lane yesterday and injured her knee very badly.

In the probate court letters testamentary were granted in the estate of the late Rosella McAlister to her sister, Margaret McAlister. The estate values at \$400 real and \$500 personal property. E. S. Ritchie, executor.

Passengers from McAdam Jc. this morning reported that the thermometer registered 15 degrees below zero there this morning.

ALDERMAN IS MATES THAT LUDLOW WILL COST WELL OVER \$100,000 MARK

To Date She Has Cost Over \$90,000 and it Will Not Require Much Effort on Her Part to Pass the \$100,000 Mark--Ferry Committee Met This Morning.

THE TROUBLESOME LUDLOW

The regular monthly meeting of the ferry committee was held this morning. Superintendent Glasgow reported that the Ludlow would be ready to go on the route in a day or two and it was decided that she should be put in commission again on the 16th inst. The Otagoqudy will have some changes made to her, a committee being appointed for that purpose.

The statement was made that the Ludlow had cost up to the present time ninety odd thousand dollars and it is confidently expected that she will soon pass the hundred thousand mark. Improvements were ordered in the lighting on the east and west abutments of the Ludlow.

Ald. Lockhart presided and there were present Aldermen Bullock, Tilley, Holder, Superintendent Glasgow and the common clerk.

Salary Increase Asked. An application from Wentworth Lewis for an increase in salary from \$40 to \$50 per month was ordered filed.

Andrew Crawford, fireman, made an application for an increase in salary from \$40 to \$45 per month. Referred to salaries committee.

Superintendent Glasgow said he supposed the committee would want to know when the Ludlow would go on.

Ald. Bullock--"Yes, I want her to go on tomorrow morning. We don't want any more hitches."

The superintendent said she was about ready now, but as the tides were very low on the 15th inst. he thought it would be better to wait a day or two to avoid an accident right away.

The chairman said that Engineer Parks had told him he thought the Otagoqudy should be affoot and ready to go on the route in case of trouble. He doesn't want to be put in the charge of assails.

The superintendent said he thought this should be done.

The Western Extension's class would run out on the 16th, and it would have to be reclassified.

On motion, the superintendent and Engineer Parks were ordered to prepare a statement of all expenditures.

Ald. Bullock asked if the members knew how much the Ludlow had cost to date. He moved that an incandescent light be put in the men's lavatory and an arc light placed in the centre of the men's waiting room.

It was also decided to place another light at the head of the east side ferry float.

Mr. Holder, Tilley and the superintendent were appointed a committee to make some changes in the Otagoqudy, so that she would fit the floats better.

The meeting adjourned at 12 o'clock.

NAVY ISLAND BAR. Ald. Bullock asked what was being done in the matter of having Navy Island Bar dredged. The superintendent reported that the plans were in the hands of the consulting engineer.

It was suggested that the delegation which leaves for Ottawa shortly on dredging matters should also urge that a dredge be sent here for this work.

There was a discussion as to some needed changes in the Ludlow's telegraph system. The present system is not considered satisfactory by the engineers. The speaking tubes and several other matters are also complained of and there will probably be an opportunity shortly for spending some more money on the "pride of the fleet."

FIFTY YEARS WEDDED LIFE

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Cowan Will Have Golden Wedding

ON TUESDAY NEXT

Many Invitations Issued for the Event--Mr. and Mrs. Cowan's Children, Grandchildren and Friends Will Extend Their Hearty Congratulations.

Tuesday next will be the day on which Mr. and Mrs. Moses Cowan, 18 Cedar street, will celebrate their golden jubilee, and extensive are the preparations that are being made for the celebration of that event.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan were married in 1857 by Rev. Thomas Connor at Long Island, and their attendants were James W. Thomson and Miss Charlotte Vanwart. Mr. and Mrs. Cowan have had three children, all of whom are living, and they are Mrs. A. L. Slipp, Mrs. Rubin Golding and Mrs. Theodora Vanwart.

The elderly couple have five grandchildren, viz., Walter A. Slipp, A. Stanley Golding, Belle Golding and Cowan Vanwart, and one great-grandchild, Albert W. Slipp, son of Walter Slipp.

Mrs. Cowan's maiden name was Elizabeth Burnham Thomson, and she was born in Indianapolis.

Mr. Cowan is a son of Charles Cowan, who hailed from the north of Ireland. He married Martha Howe Stevens, of Indianapolis. They had fourteen children, twelve of whom were living until recently, when Charles was drowned.

Mr. Cowan, on his mother's side is a descendant of the Loyalists, his grandmother, Mrs. Stevens, being the wife of a Loyalist.

They resided in the city for some time and subsequently went to South Bay, where they owned a large farm of 300 acres and which they enjoyed together until death.

Mr. Cowan, when seen this morning by a Times man, looked hale and hearty and displayed much of the vigour which is characteristic of his countrymen. As regards his health, he stated that he has been 78 years a resident of this city, and was engaged in the business of lumber surveying.

Invitations have been issued for the anniversary and the decorations at Mr. and Mrs. Cowan's residence in honor of the occasion will be of an elaborate nature.

A PRESIDENT DIED THERE

Buffalo Residence Where President McKinley Died Was Burned This Morning.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 10--The former residence of John G. Milburn on Delaware Avenue, to which the late President William McKinley was taken after he was shot at the Pan-American Exposition, and where he died, was very badly damaged by fire this morning.

The fire broke out in the linen room and practically consumed everything within the four walls, loss \$25,000 insured. Milburn had recently sold the property to Philip M. Shannon.

HOUSE BURNED ON CHESLEY ST.

Dwelling Occupied by Mrs. London Guttered by Flames This Morning.

An alarm from Box 132 rung in by Officer Merrick at five o'clock this morning announced a rather serious fire in a house on Chesley street opposite Miller's Mill and occupied by Mrs. London and her son.

Smoke issuing from the roof of the two and a half story building was first noticed by the officer and it was not long before No. 5 fire department was at the scene.

The fire burned down to the second story and almost gutted the building. The firemen worked hard and some of them suffered from the cold weather.

It is presumed that the fire originated through a defective chimney but that is not definitely known.

The furniture was insured in the Law Union & Crown Co.

TERRORISTS ARE ACTIVE

Other Victim Added to the List in Russia

GOL. ANDRIEFF SHOT

By an Assassin in Lod--Admiral Doubassoff is Again Notified That He Has Been Marked for Death--Andrieff's Assassin Escaped the Police.

LOD, Russian Poland, Jan. 10--Colonel Patko Andrieff, chief of the General Staff of Lod district, was shot and killed this morning on Poludniowa street. A passing infantry patrol fired a volley at the assassin, but only wounded several innocent on-lookers. The assassin escaped, Poludniowa street was closed by troops and the police began making a strict search of all the houses fronting upon it.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 10--Vice-Admiral Doubassoff, ex-governor general of Moscow, and at present a member of the council of the empire, has received notification that another attempt upon his life will be made.

AMHERST MAN DROPPED DEAD

J. Edward Smith Suddenly Succumbed to Heart Failure This Morning.

AMHERST, N. S., Jan. 10--(Special)--J. Edward Smith, the well-known Amherst farmer, dropped dead this morning while attending to his work at his farm about a mile and a half from Amherst. The deceased, who was 80 years of age, has, since the death of his wife a short time ago, resided with his son. This morning at about his usual time he went to his barn, a short distance from the house, where he was found about a half hour later by his son, who found him lying in the hay dead. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death. He is survived by one son. His second wife, who was a daughter of the late Joseph Chapman, J. P., Point de Bute, N. B., died about a year ago. Mr. Smith was a well-to-do farmer and owned a valuable farm just outside the town limits.

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FISH MARKET

Supply is Good--Nova Scotia Lobsters Due to Arrive Today.

Eight hundred live lobsters are expected today from Westport, N. S., for a local fish dealer. The New Brunswick lobster season opened on January 6th, but fishermen have not as yet got fairly down to work. It is probable, however, that there will be a supply of New Brunswick lobsters on the market within the next few days.

The general condition of the fish market as regards supply is satisfactory, and judging from the demand, it behooves buyers to be on hand early.

The prices, which are practically unchanged from last week, range as follows: Cod, 6c; haddock, 6c; cod steak, 10c; halibut, 5c; smelt, 12c; to 15c; hounders, 8c; herring, 20c; mackerel, (large and fine) 25c; lobsters, 12c; fresh salmon, 15c; to 20c; pickled salmon, 12 and pickled trout, 12.

CANTON LA TOUR, I. O. O. F.

The officers of Canton La Tour, No. 1, I. O. O. F., were installed last evening by Col. N. W. Brown, assisted by Adjutant, C. W. Segee, as follows:

Com.-E. E. Stapler. Lieut.-Geo. A. Pollock. Sec.-E. H. Leman. Clerk--James G. Gorrie. Act.-W. R. Sanderson. St. B.--George W. Stephenson. Guard--Fred Long. Sentinel--F. W. Stanton. Picket--E. A. Wright.

Speeches were made by Co. Breun, F. A. Wright, W. R. Sanderson and George A. Pollock; songs were given by Messrs. Gorrie, Leman, Long and Segee, and refreshments were served. The evening was most enjoyably spent.

NEWSPAPER MAN BURIED

Ottawa, Jan. 10--(Special)--The funeral of J. A. Phillips, the well-known newspaper man, took place this morning to Beechwood cemetery. There was a large attendance of members of the press, members of the House of Commons and leading citizens of Ottawa.

The press gallery sent a floral wreath as did also St. George's Society and the Conservancy members of the house. Arrived in the coffin was the Union Jack--the flag Mr. Phillips being the author of "The Flag for Me."

Fred B. Jones, the well-known musician, received a genuine surprise last night. He had gone to his home on Pitt street after playing at Keith's and had just tucked himself in bed when he was surprised to hear strains of music floating up from the parlor, and on getting up and dressing he found the members of the orchestra, of which he is leader, and also the members of Keith's orchestra. It then occurred to him that the occasion was his birthday. The balance of the evening and the early hours of the morning were enlivened with music and a very pleasant time was spent.

HIS WIFE WAS IN THE COURT

Magistrate Was Surprised to See Her--Case Against Capt. W. R. Dixon.

Captain Wm. R. Dixon, of 80 Adelaide street, was arrested last night on a warrant of assault, taken out by Miss Lizzy Welch, his sister-in-law. The arrest forms the sequel to a disturbance in John Welch's barber shop, quelled by Officer Rankine on December 20th last.

The captain went to the house of Mrs. Dixon's mother and sister, to pack up a trunk and had a stormy interview which was not admitted in the house, saying that he went there to see his wife and was told by Mrs. Welch and her daughter she was not there. He added that when he started for the front room crack to see his wife, he was told by Mrs. Welch to try to hold him back.

"I want to put my wife on the stand," he said.

"Your wife," said his honor, "where is she?"

"Sitting over there," was the reply. "That's certainly new to the court. What about the present what?"

Dixon declared he had received a letter from St. Louis stating that she died, three years ago.

It seems that Mrs. Dixon appeared at the police court about two weeks ago, and stated she understood that her husband's former wife was alive, and asked what she would do.

The Quebec train is five hours late today on account of a heavy snow storm up north.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

JAMESIEY'S RESOLUTION. Our esteemed fellow citizen, Mr. Jamesiey Jones, has decided that next summer he will pure hase a sand-bank and where he always met her, great both to the city. He will also engage as many teams as he can get to have mounded in the city, at which citizens may secure a supply in icy weather, such as prevails at present.

Three falls, four large bumps, a sprained ankle and a lame back were the moving influences in determining our valued friend to adopt this benevolent resolution. He will have the warm thanks of the

THE NEW WHARF

Proposed Changes in Specifications Cause Considerable Talk.

There is considerable talk about the section of the board of works in changing the specifications of the proposed new wharf. It is claimed that if the intention of the aldermen to build a 600 foot berth and only place cranes on the southern side, leaving the northern side to be erected on piling, is carried out, it will mean that the 600 foot berth that was in the original plan on the southern side, will have to be abandoned, or else when the time comes to build it, that dredging operations would cause the outer lot of piling and the warehouse to sink. It is contended that it would be much better in the interests of the future needs of the port to keep to the original plan and sink cranes on both sides of the wharf, as in the case of the present wharf.

It would cost much more, it is said, to build a 600 foot wharf at any other part of the harbor than it would in the place shown on the original plan.

WILL TAKE UP THE TARIFF

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 10 (Special)--The tariff will be presented with in the house today. It is likely that all debatable items will be allowed to stand, and those to which there are no objections will be put through first. The principal changes will be where any discrepancies have crept in on the final revision.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Jan. 10--(Special)--There was a notable price alteration in Montreal's market. Trading was light in Montreal Street Railway at 222. Dominion 24 and bonds 80. Rio bonds 78. 800 common 134, Mexican 55, Can. Pac. 194 1/8, Ohio Traction 30, Detroit 51 1/2.

D. J. Seelye arrived on the C. P. R. today. W. B. Howard came in on the C. P. R. at noon.

What's that? cried Mr. Binks. "I say," said the new reporter, "that I have some paper down there."

Mr. Hiram Hornbeam has volunteered to open a debate at the Every Day Club every evening the Club proposes it on the subject:--Resolved that it is better to keep hens than a mortgage. Hiram will take the affirmative, and will be supported by his bank account.

SEEMS TO WORRY HIM

Mr. Peter Binks was going about this morning with an air of ample comfort that attracted the attention of the Times new reporter. On enquiry Mr. Binks explained that he was a shareholder in a bank whose annual statement had just been issued by his bank account.

"Oh! you have," said Mr. Binks, and it seemed as if his countenance fell a little. He made no other remark, but walked down the street in the direction of the bank.

GOVERNMENT WILL MEET

Members of Provincial Executive Will Meet Here This Afternoon.

Premier Tweedie, Surveyor General Swenney, Solicitor General Jones, Attorney-General Pugsley, Hon. L. P. Farris, minister of agriculture, and Hon. Mr. LaBelle arrived on the Boston this morning and a meeting of the government will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Prior to meeting the hospital commission will meet. At the government meeting representatives of the Tourist Association will wait upon the government and talk over matters in regard to letters patent.

A delegation from Kings Co., consisting of Messrs. Fawcett, of Hampton; McGamie of Waterford, Gilliland of Rochesay, and the secretary-treasurer and the warden, is in the city and will interview the government this afternoon in regard to assessments. The Kings Co. Council wish to ascertain why the different parishes are assessed for the maintenance of the provincial hospital in addition to their ordinary assessment. It being a provincial institution, the delegation contend that they should not be doubly assessed.

BUTTER AND CHEESE

MONTREAL, JAN. 10--(Special)--The cheese market was without a special feature today, selling at 12 3/4 to 13. The butter market was a better price, and the sellers are demanding a better price than the market was firmer, choice 25 to 25 1/2 and fine, 24 1/2 to 25.

The case of Goggin vs. Whittaker was concluded today in the city court. Judgment was given for the plaintiff for \$16.65. The suit was the result of indebtedness incurred during the time Mr. Whittaker occupied the Palm Garden Cafe.

The clock in St. Luke's church tower is still out of the running and north end citizens are inconvenienced thereby.

Louis J. Slattery returned to St. Joseph's University today.

Church Gates, of Caning, passed through the city en route to Mt. Allison University.

Father Maloney, C. S. R., and Miss Maloney, returned today from a visit to their home at Milltown.

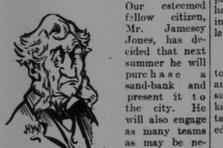
L. C. Daigle arrived in the city today. B. C. Coggins is in the city.

George Robertson, M. P., went to Amherst on noon.

J. N. Sutherland arrived in the city today. Arthur M. Whitman, of Boston, passed through the city en route to Halifax.

M. F. Irwin, manager for McClary manufacturing company, this city, went to Sydney, C. B., last evening by train.

Decision in the case of the Merchants Protective & Collecting agency vs the F. E. Williams Co. Ltd. will be delivered by Judge Ritchie, in the city court this afternoon.



Union Clothing Co.

26-28 Charlotte Street, St. John, N. B. Old Y. M. C. A. Building. ALEX. CORBET, Mgr.

STORE CLOSED ALL DAY Tomorrow FRIDAY

We will be busy marking all merchandise down to the very lowest possible figure so as to make our

FIRST STOCK-TAKING SALE

which begins SATURDAY NEXT, JAN. 12th, '07, one of the Biggest Successes we have ever had.

OUR REDUCTIONS ARE ALWAYS GENUINE

Our past sales proved to the public that whatever you find in our advertisements, you will find in our store. Every garment will be marked in plain figures, which will make it easy for the buyer.

It will be a great chance for every man, youth or child to get fitted out for the winter at very little cost.

Keep your wants until Saturday and bring your list to us. We can fill them to satisfy you.

UNION CLOTHING CO.

...That... Preposterous ...Will..

BY L. G. MOBERLY.

(Continued.)

"Perhaps you are not free to pay your court to her. Perhaps your heart is already engaged. I am not surprised to hear that it is. But even if it were not so, even if I was as free as air, nothing would induce me to sell myself for a fortune, though the fortune were ten thousand times greater than the one I have just lost."

"I am truly sorry for you, Mr. Dayrell," the lawyer said, kindly, putting out his hand in farewell. "As I said before, if I had had any hand in making this will I would have remonstrated seriously with Mr. Haines. By the way, I have not read your actual document."

"I have no wish to hear it. The epitome you have given me of its contents is quite enough, not to say too much for me. I shall be interested to hear what sort of a person this Miss Miranda Hume may be. To make my godfather's practical joke complete, she should be an elderly spinster as uncertain in temper as in age."

"Hardly an aged frump, I should imagine; I dare say she is young, possibly even beautiful and charming."

"Possibly," Dayrell's tone was drier than ever; "but her charms are nothing less than nothing to me. Congratulate her from me on her unexpected good fortune, and let me know the result of your visit to the lady," and with a sarcastic smile Alan Dayrell took up his hat and stick from the bookcase, and with a curt "good-bye" to Mr. Bray, went quickly out.

"Poor fellow," reflected the lawyer as the door banged behind Dayrell's retreating form. "I am sorry for him. Mr. Haines has played him a scurvy trick, and I only wish we could get Miss Hume to adjust things for him. If she would marry now at once, and he would agree to marry her, the whole affair might settle itself."

CHAPTER II.

Mr. Bray hesitated for several seconds before mounting the steps of 144 George Street. He looked up at the house, and down into the area, and up at the house again, before his mind was sufficiently made up to enable him to ring the bell. And indeed the establishment was in no way prepossessing. It stood in a long street like hundreds of others in the poorer parts of London, and number 144, blackened with age and smoke, seemed more monotonous than the rest of the row. The windows were begrimed with dirt, and some of their panes were cracked. Almost all the blinds were half-way down,

and not one had been drawn up straight; the varnish was peeling off the front door, and the area railings showed large white patches where once green paint had been. "This surely cannot be the right place," Mr. Bray soliloquized, looking up and down the house for the third time, and then consulting a note-book he held open in his hand; "144, George Street, is not—yes, this is the right address—but, bless my soul, who would have thought that Mr. Haines' goddaughter and the heiress to his great fortune could live in a place like this. I am sorry now I did not write to her instead of calling. However, as I am here, I must just inquire if Miss Hume still lodges here. If she does, it is difficult to conceive what kind of person she can be."

At this point he cut short his own meditations by walking slowly up the broken steps and ringing the bell, which jangled harshly in the lower regions before subsiding into silence. Many minutes elapsed after the jangling sound had ceased, and no one appeared in answer to its clamour. Mr. Bray peered impatiently over into the area, hoping against hope that some one might come to the back door if the front one was destined to remain unopened. But the back door and front alike remained fast shut, no sound was audible from within the house, and the irritated solicitor again tugged at the bell, raising a more insistent jangling whose seemingly endless sounds had an irritating effect on his nerves. Another interval followed, and then there was the sound of dragging steps in the passage, and the door was opened a few inches, and a portion of a tumbled red head became visible in the aperture.

"Does Miss Miranda Hume live here?" Mr. Bray's temper had become sharpened by long waiting, and his voice was short and stern; but at his words the door was suddenly and spasmodically jerked wide open, revealing the complete form to which the tumbled red head belonged.

This was a girl, slight of perhaps seventeen years, who in colloquial language would be described as a slavey, in more dignified parlance, as a general servant. In build she was very slight, and her face was thin and white, but the chief impression of her gathered by Mr. Bray was that he had never seen hair of so flaming and wonderful a red before. His eyes involuntarily remained fixed upon the curly tangle that stood out round her head in a halo of colour, and he found himself vaguely wondering whether a person in the rank of life of the girl before him had any right to such a positive wealth of hair. Her features were sharply pointed, and bore traces of overwork and fatigue; her curious red brown eyes were tired too, but at the moment surprise was

their prevailing expression. A great black smudge lay unbecomingly across her nose, and the rather grimy pink frock she wore did not harmonize well with the shade of her hair. She stood in the doorway and merely stared at the gentleman on the step.

"Does Miss Miranda Hume live here?" Mr. Bray repeated in rather louder and more imperative tones.

"Yes, she do."

"I wish to see her," the lawyer spoke with increasing firmness, thinking that possibly the girl was a trifle deaf so vague and puzzled was her face.

"Well—and so yer can," was the strange response.

"Would you kindly go and tell her that a gentleman wishes to see her? She is lodging here, I suppose?" Mr. Bray's patience began to wear rather thinner under the apparent imbecility of the slavey, the persistent gaze of whose red brown eyes irritated him oddly, and made him feel almost nervous. A slow smile spread itself over the girl's grimy features.

"Lor no, she ain't no lodger! If you wants to speak to Mirander Hume, speak away, 'tis certain!"

"God bless my soul, you don't mean you can't—are you Miranda Hume?"

For the first, and he hoped for the last time in his orderly life, Mr. Bray was thrown completely off his balance, and was too embarrassed and disconcerted to speak coherently. In fact, so overwhelming was his surprise, that his physical balance nearly deserted him as well as his mental, and he put out his hand and grasped the doorknob with an unpleasant feeling that he might otherwise fall down the steps.

"Yes—in Mirander Hume. What did you please to want with me?"

"I—I—well, I think I had better come in and just talk matters over with you," Mr. Bray said hurriedly, feeling more taken back by the girl's appearance and manner than any words could possibly have expressed; "I have called to see you on important business."

He wished more fervently than ever that his arduous had not led him to make this visit, but that he had bidden the young woman call at his office to see him. Another smile crossed the grimy face, and Mr. Bray observed that the young lady visible a set of strong and shapely white teeth, whilst he also realized dimly that when they were lit up those red lips would be a curious and unaccountable fascination of their own.

"Important business for me? Well, I never!" was her only remark; but she stepped back, and stood back to let the lawyer pass into the narrow passage beyond. At that moment a discordant scream screamed shrilly from somewhere downstairs.

"Molly, Molly, come downstairs. What ever do you mean by being so going up at that front door? Come down this minute, or I'll let you know what for."

"There's a gentleman called," the kitchen stairs to shout down in reply—"a gentleman as 'ave called to speak to me on business."

"I'll gentlemen you and your business," came the shrill retort, and a moment later an untidy woman, with her hair in curl, appeared at the head of the stairs, scowled at Mr. Bray and the re-haired girl, and uplifted a menacing hand towards the latter, who had just stepped away from her and smiled.

"What's all this ere rubbish about?" the woman demanded with anger in her voice, diminishing with extraordinary rapidity as her practised eye ran over Mr. Bray's form, and it dawned upon her that she was in the presence of a visitor who was a real and not a fictitious gentleman.

"Did you wish to speak to me, sir?" she asked, her voice dropping with amused suddenness from shrill displeasure to unctuous servility; "was it rooms you wanted?" "There here thought that he might be supposed to require rooms in this grime and not even clean abode made Mr. Bray shudder.

"No thank you," he answered politely. "I wished to speak to a Miss Miranda Hume. I was informed that she lived here, and—your servant gives me to understand that this is her name."

"For goodness gracious sake shut the door, Molly, and don't stand saying there like a silly gaffer," snapped her mistress, turning to the girl, who still stood by the open front door, staring at the lawyer with inaccessible wonder in her strange colored eyes. She shut the door obediently, but still stood gazing at Mr. Bray, twining a corner of her apron in her hands, and seeming too much overpowered with amazement to say a word for herself.

"Well, yes, sir, the woman of the house said smoothly, "her name is Miranda Hume, I believe, though we always called her Molly; it being shorter and more suited like to her position."

"Yes, yes, no doubt," Mr. Bray assented testily, "but I am anxious to get to business as quickly as possible, and to ascertain without delay a few points about Miss—Miss Hume. Can you take me into a room? The business is too important to be transacted in a passage."

Daily Fashion Hints for Times Readers.



SMART LINGERIE ACCESSORIES.

A decidedly novel air is given to a simple blouse of Paisley printing by the application of narrow tucked ribbon with a picot edge, those placed in lengthwise lines at close intervals along the silk. Accepted shirtwaist lines are followed throughout, broad shoulders, invisible front, fly fastening, etc. The sleeve, however, is different, this coming only to below the bend of the elbow, and finishing there in a plain band cuff. Sheer and fine handkerchief linen is used for collar and jabot, cuffs and undersleeves. The collar and jabot follow the directoire lines, and the cuffs and undersleeves, while the ordinary patterns, match in the application of the Valenciennes lace that makes the touch of dainty elaboration.



GOWN OF LIGHT BLUE BROADCLOTH.

The model illustrated was of the collar were attached scraps of pale blue cloth, the fronts of the bodice changeable pale blue and mauve silk, with being somewhat in a fitted Eton effect by having the stitched edge overlap the belt. The sleeves were shirred just above the elbow and were trimmed with upstanding Mechlin lace. The pointed yoke with buttons of the cloth embroidered in shades of mauve. The collar and waistband skirt was gored and had wide bands of the shades of mauve velvet embroidered in pale cloth set on, as shown in the design, blue and darker mauve, and at the points about the lower part.

Advertisement for 'The First Need' flour, featuring an image of a flour barrel and text describing its quality and availability.

Advertisement for Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Limited, with locations in Montreal, St. John, and Winnipeg.

Large advertisement for The Canadian Drug Co., Ltd., including text about their products and contact information.

Advertisement for Dr. White's Honey Balm and Dr. Scott's White Liniment, featuring large text and a decorative border.

Small text block containing various notices and news items, including mentions of 'OPEN NIGHT OF C. M. B. A.' and 'NEW R. & O. STEAMER'.

Financial and Commercial DOSE OF HOT SHOT FOR HARRIMAN AND WILLIAM ROCKEFELLER

Wholesale Deals in Which it Was Sought to Deceive the Public and the Courts--As Bad as the Insurance Affair. (New York Evening Post.) In the spring of 1901, when the stock exchange became a focus of excitement...

PASSENGERS DECREASED

Annual Report Shows Falling Off of Local Passenger Traffic on the I. C. R. OTTAWA, Jan. 9--The consideration of railway matters in the House of Commons today...

Backache

Is more than tiredness. Hard work does not bring sharp, shooting pains. And a dull, nagging pain that a night's sleep won't drive away--is never due to weariness.

IMMIGRATION TO NEW BRUNSWICK

Edmund Storie, the secretary of the Central Emigration Board, of London, has conferred with the premier and attorney-general on the subject of immigration to New Brunswick.

The premier was favorably inclined to Mr. Storie's suggestion that the government should issue a small pamphlet for distribution in England, setting forth briefly and simply the opportunities available to immigrants to this province.

Mr. Storie is strongly of opinion that the transatlantic railway should issue a special tariff at nominal rates for immigrants who are to be distributed in this province and Nova Scotia.

OPENING WAS BIG SUCCESS

With regard to what the club may be able to do for the members of themselves, he suggested among other things that educational classes might be formed in connection with it.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, N. B.--1907. 182 bales of cotton ex str Tebridge (Tr), from New Orleans; Canopic (Br), from Boston; Demosco (Haiti), from Montreal...

VESSLS BOUND FOR ST. JOHN. Evangeline, 147, at Queenstown, Jan 8. Lake Champlain, 488, Liverpool, Jan 8. Manchester, 258, Manchester, Jan 8.

RECENT CHARTERS. Lumber--by bark Ethel Clark, 297 tons, from Apalachicola to St. John, N. B.

ESSELS IN PORT (With their Tonnage and Consignees). Empress of Britain, 2024, C. P. R. Co. Macdonald, 2128, Wm Thomson & Co.

DOMINION PORTS. YARMOUTH, N. S., Jan 7--Arr. str. Co. Halifax, N. S., Jan 7--Arr. str. Soloto.

BRITISH PORTS. PORT SPAIN, Jan 3--Arr. bark Nora West. Liverpool, Jan 3--Arr. str. Oceanic.

FOREIGN PORTS. NEW YORK, Jan 8--84, str. Harry W. Leavelle.

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How To Find Out.

If there is any doubt in your mind as to your condition, take from your urine on being about four ounces, place it in a glass or bottle and let it stand twenty-four hours.

CALVIN CHURCH

Annual Reports Received and Officers Elected Last Evening. The annual meeting of the Calvin Presbyterian church was held last evening, Rev. L. A. McLean presiding.

Remington Typewriter Sales

last year were great, but our business for the first three-quarters of 1906 exceeds that of the entire year 1905.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED--TWO OR THREE GOOD generalists, also one cook, highest wages. Apply at once to MISS HOWLAND, 111 Princess street.

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NEW CONSIGNMENT JUST ARRIVED. Northern Spies, Golden Russets, Scotch Gravenor and other choice Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Apples.

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THE SHOW AT KEITH'S

Houston continues to attract large crowds to Keith's theatre, where his scenes, demonstrations and startling phenomena amply satisfy the audience.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

The world-famous American Vitagraph Company are booked for a short engagement at the Opera House opening with a matinee on Wednesday next, Jan. 16th.

Constipation and Sour Stomach

Are quickly and surely cured with Hermer's Dyspepsia Cure.

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LIMITED.

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Market and Chicago Board of Trade. Yesterday's closing prices for the principal commodities.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT

May Corn ... 75 75 75. May Wheat ... 1.10 1.10 1.10. May Pork ... 16.50 16.50 16.50.

MONTECAL QUOTATIONS

Dom. Iron and Steel ... 60 60 60. Dom. I. & S. pld ... 60 60 60.

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THE NEW WHARF

The board of works, in adopting specifications for the new wharf departed from those for the one now under construction by Mr. D. C. Clark. The Times was subjected to some criticism because it refused to comply with the specifications.

MARITIME UNION

In his admirable paper on the subject of maritime union, written for and published in the Canadian Courier, Ald. J. B. M. Baxter sets forth very clearly the arguments in favor of union.

THE WATERWORKS

The water and sewerage board last evening had a very interesting session. The members, in dealing with the request of the contractors for the Loch Lomond extension pursued the only course that could be justified under the circumstances.

THE ICE MAN

Those bad boys who persist in skating wherever they find ice, and who have caused a wave of sorrow to sweep over the hearts of the members of the St. John Ice Co., by attempting self-destruction on Lily Lake, will no doubt be brought to their senses.

THE NEW MEN'S CLUB

The opening last evening of the new free club for men, in the hall on Waterloo street, was so auspicious that much may be hoped for in the future of that institution, which is on the broadest lines.

LABOR DISPUTES

The bill introduced in parliament yesterday by Hon. Mr. Lemieux declares for the open shop, and also guards the right of a man to be a member of a labor union.

WANTS MORE BOATS

Rumor That C. P. R. Wants to Buy Out Donaldson Line—Looking for Glasgow Business.

SORE PUZZLED.

"It is a little confusing," said the czar. "What's the trouble?" asked the court official.

Local option has made gains in Ontario. In every municipality where it was sought to repeal the prohibitory law, the law was sustained; while it was put into force in probably fifty or more municipalities which did not have it before.

A QUESTION OF ETIQUETTE.

Thief (arranging matters with his prospective father-in-law)—There's one more thing I wanted to ask you, who steals the bride's dress, you or I?

Clean Sweep Sale. Prices Cut 10 to 50 Per Cent.

We will begin Saturday our annual January clearance sale and are cutting the prices very deep in order to clear them out quickly. The sale includes: Men's and Boys' Overcoats, Suits, Pants, Reefers, Ulsters, Underwear, Shirts, Cardigans, etc.

J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring, Clothing Opera House Block.

Women's Skating Boots, \$1.50

These Skating Boots arrived too late for the Christmas trade. We have marked them at a low price to ensure a quick sale.



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THE GREATEST BARGAINS, FOR A SHORT TIME. A number of Exhibition Carriages and Toboggan Pungis for sale at reduced prices.

33 1-3 p. c. Calendars

allowed on the balance of our stock of 25 p. c. on Christy Pictures.

Christy Calendars for 1907 at \$2.00 net. We will also make a reduction of from 25 p. c. to 33 1-3 p. c. on all Holiday Goods until the end of the month.

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LACE CURTAINS cleaned and dyed up EQUAL TO NEW. Carpets cleaned and beaten. Dyeing and scouring.

FIRE! Law Union and Crown Insurance Company.

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Another lot just arrived of those Nice Mill Ends of Flannelettes; also New Fancy Cottons for Quilts, 10 cents yard.

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THE ROCKIES

They stand, white stairs of heaven—stand, a line of light, endless and eternal white; They look upon the far and flashing brine. Upon the boundless plain, the broken beach!

IN LIGHTER VEIN WHOLLY GRAMMATICAL

Teacher—One must never say "that air" and "this ere." It is a sign of poor education. Always say "that there" and "this here."

REASSURED.

"Did you hear that noise? What can it be?" demanded the janitor of the fashionable apartment house.

FOOLISH FINANCE.

"Now, dar' Brudder Squalllop!" hypercritically said old Brother Brownbeak. "Dat man don't 'pear to have no sense den a useful Providence engineer."

WAR AND RELIGION

The Best Soldier Must Be An Idealist, Says Mr. Haldane.

There is food for much thought, doubtless of very diversified thoughts, in the appointment by the British Secretary for War of a committee to advise the army council in all matters respecting the spiritual and moral welfare of the army.

SHEFFIELD

SHEFFIELD, Jan. 7.—Capt C. C. Taylor of this place received a telegram, stating that Stanley Dillon, formerly of Sheffield, who was injured on Wednesday at Cranbrook, B. C., while in the employ of the King Lumbering Co., died from his injuries Thursday morning.

COMBS.

75 Doz. Combs, Travellers' Samples, Horn Dressing Combs, 4c. Doz. 5c. RUBBER FINE COMBS, 6c. Doz. 7c. RUBBER DRESSING COMBS, 6c. Doz. 7c. RUBBER FINE COMBS, 4c. Doz. 5c.

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Times Classified Ads Pay

Deals For Sale By Tender.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Tuesday, the 13th inst., for the cargo of deals ex "Dark" (Gardfield), saw landed at Dominion Wharf, Port Hawkesbury, said cargo consisting of (more or less):

20,714 sup' feet spruce deals, 2,340 sup' feet spruce sawing, 7,722 sup' feet deal ends, 21,213 sup' feet birch plank, 4,413 sup' feet birch plank ends.

The cargo will be sold on bid. The purchaser whose tender is accepted must take charge of cargo and pay amount of his bid in cash within one week after receipt of notice that his tender has been accepted. The cargo can remain where it is free of wharfage and storage up to May 1st, 1907. We do not bind ourselves to accept the highest or any tender.

Port Hawkesbury, Jan. 2nd, 1907. F. PAINT & SONS.

Exhibition Association

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS AND SHAREHOLDERS OF THE EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF ST. JOHN will be held at their offices, Canada Buildings, Maritime Corporation Chambers, Prince William Street, on Tuesday evening, January 22nd, at 8 o'clock for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting.

NEW GOODS

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CROCKERY

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1 Nickel Showcase, round front, 5 ft. long, complete, with fancy stand. 2 large Self Feeder Stoves, full Nickel trimmed, in excellent order.

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HIRAM WEBB, Electrical Contractor, 4 Church Street, Room 5. J. H. NOBLE'S, 25 King Square. Phone 39.

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Advertisement for Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas, featuring images of soda cans and a woman holding a glass.

Another Special Lot of RINGWOOD GLOVES FINE MAKERS. LOW PRICES

Let Us Fit You with a Pair.

E. W. PATTERSON, 29 City Road.

THE NEW AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES

James Bryce and His Career--Lawyer, Historian, Professor and Statesman He Now Essays Diplomacy at Sixty-Eight Years of Age.

(Tacitus in Winning Free Press) If there is one imperialist more than another after the premier and their own government, it is important in the eyes of the people of Canada that the British ambassador to the United States, and each appointment to that office as it occurs from time to time, always arouses widespread interest throughout the Dominion. Canadians naturally feel that they have a special and peculiar interest in the selection, for their own relations to the United States form a large proportion of the business of the British embassy at Washington, and it is their interests that are most likely to be affected by a good or bad appointment. The British ambassador at Berlin is not an important personage in his own eyes but his colleagues at Washington is and we claim the right to frequently and frankly criticize or praise his actions, as if he were our own representative. Canada has suffered so often in the past from the mistakes and vacillating tactics of the Imperial ambassadors to the States that she is prone to watch each new career with a jealous and critical eye. Already an agitation has been started in this country to have a Canadian attaché permanently stationed at Washington to keep special watch and ward over our interests, and the Downing Street machinery and feel that a more direct representation would be beneficial to our interests; indeed we even dream of the day when yet come when it is an unwritten but fully recognized rule of Imperial policy that the Ambassador to the United States should either be a Canadian by birth or some one closely connected and acquainted with the interests of the Dominion. But the fact is that a young country like Canada is not too rich in able public men of the type suited to hold such a post. She needs them all to help her in her internal administration, and it is doubtful if there is any one of our best men who could profitably spare to act as ambassador. Evidently the present British Government agrees with the view that the time is not yet ripe for such an innovation for a recently held by the day, Mr. Ward Grey to select a successor to Sir Mortimer Durand, his chosen representative was a native of the Mother Country, and a member of the cabinet, the Right Hon. James Bryce, chief secretary for Ireland. Lord Curzon and he were the two strongest favorites for the office but a British Government rarely likes to have its most important diplomatic and official sympathies to its own, and we imagine that Mr. Bryce was preferred even at the expense of his withdrawal from the cabinet. Now that the appointment has been definitely announced, Canadians are asking what manner of man this is who is to represent their interests at Washington for the next five years and skillfully solve such diplomatic problems as may arise at any moment between the countries whose interests meet at every point on an immense frontier. It is likely to play into the hands of President Roosevelt and his colleagues, and it is likely to see eye to eye with Sir Wilfrid Laurier in every negotiation that affects Canada. James Bryce is a Scot, born in the year 1838, and therefore at present of the ripe age of sixty-eight. He was born in the city of Glasgow and received his early education at the high school there; he attended the university at Glasgow after leaving school and Trinity College, Oxford, where he had a most distinguished career, graduating in 1862 and being elected the same year to a fellowship at Great College. At this time he decided to adopt the law as his profession and was called to the English bar as a member of Lincoln's Inn in 1867, at which he practised intermittently up till 1882. If he failed to achieve any great distinction in the courts he held other prizes for his law in 1870 at the early age of thirty-two he was appointed Regius Professor of Civil Law at Oxford, possibly the highest honor that can be conferred on the learned jurist of England. The foundation of his fame as a literary man had been laid in 1862 by his book on the Holy Roman Empire, which is the standard work on that interesting subject, and this work coming as it did from the pen of a very young graduate attracted the great attention and paved the way for his subsequent election to the Regius Professorship which has been held by a succession of Britain's ablest jurists. He continued to hold this appointment till 1883 and the duties connected with it combined with the attractions of the distinguished position to abandon all idea of an active career at the bar. He first entered parliament in 1880 as M. P. for the Tower Hamlets of London, but at the 1885 election his thoughts turned to his native land and he transferred his affections to the constituency of Aberdeen which was not loath to respond to the overtures of the rising young professor and has faithfully continued to return him by large majorities up to the present time. His rise was as rapid in the political as in the intellectual world, for he was at once recognized as a man of great ability, with the result that in 1886 one of the usual stepping-stones to cabinet rank, viz., the undersecretaryship for foreign affairs, was allotted to him. His party were out of office for the next six years, but in 1892, on Mr. Gladstone's return to power, Mr. Bryce became chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster with a seat in the cabinet. This is a post usually given to some brilliant man who is not peculiarly fitted for any office, but whose talents and presence are indispensable to the success of the cabinet. In 1890 he was transferred to the presidency of the Board of Trade. He was in opposition from 1895 till the last general election and played no small part in keeping the Liberal party together in its days of darkest tribulation, for he has always been a moderate man and formed, as it were, a connecting link in the Liberal ranks between the violent Radicalism and Little England attitude of Mr. Lloyd George and the scholarly Imperialism of Mr. Haldane and Sir Edward Grey. He never wavered in his loyalty to the principles of Liberalism and the lapse of time and death of old colleagues left him one of the most prominent of the Liberal leaders. His party was returned to power by an enormous majority a year ago and when the various offices were allocated, the high estimation of his abilities, which his colleagues held, was shown by his appointment to what is perhaps the most delicate position of all, the Chief Secretaryship of Ireland, the grave of many a fair political reputation. Throughout the years of opposition he had not been an idle man and his talents had been displayed in many a useful

COMPANY WILL REORGANIZE

Cape Breton Coal Iron and Railway Company is Then Expected to Boom.

(Sydney Post). The Cape Breton Coal, Iron and Railway Company, pending the complete reorganization of the company, has deferred paying interest on their bonds, which amount to about half a million dollars, until the proposed new company takes possession of the property. It is expected that the work of reorganization will take about a month yet to complete, after which completion the affairs at Broughton are expected to take a new lease of life. The plant has been closed down for the best part of a year, only some 25 or 30 people being kept on in order to keep the machinery and colliery equipment in a state of repair. The company have decided to erect a shipping pier at False Bay Beach, and prosecute the work of development with greater vigor than ever. English capital, practically the same as before, is interested in the new company. The report that the Dominion Iron and Steel Company had bought the property of this company is incorrect.

TABERNACLE CHURCH

Annual Business Meeting Held Last Night--Reports Show a Good Year.

The annual business meeting of the Tabernacle church was held last evening with the pastor, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, in the chair. The reports were of a most encouraging character, the year just closed being one of the most prosperous in the history of the church. The pastor reported that he had on his calling list 240 families living in seventy-two different streets of the city. During the year he married thirty-five couples, attended thirty funerals and made 600 calls. He was present at 216 religious services and twenty business and committee meetings. He preached 118 sermons and made thirty-eight addresses. The total receipts for the year were \$1,037.84, which is a gain of \$59.94 over the year 1905; \$538 over 1904, and \$945 over 1903. The church clerk reported thirty-four additions to the church--by baptism, twenty-one; by letter, eight; by exhortation, four; by restoration, one; dismissed, by letter, four. The membership is now 313, a gain of thirty over last year. During the past seven years there has been a net gain of 204 in the membership of the church. The Ladies Aid Society raised \$114.50 during the year. The Missionary Aid Society raised \$28.60 and the Mission Band \$42.80. The Sunday school had a prospect of net gain of \$113.48. The following officers were elected: Church clerk--A. H. Patterson. Treasurer--Harvey Cooke. Financial secretary--Geo. Tennant. Ushers--E. W. Howley, chairman; Geo. Smith, Edgar Campbell, D. Nordin, Fred Crawford, Leslie Snowdon. Finance committee--Geo. Smith, W. Collins, Fred Crawford. Treasurer of poor fund--Miss Addie Parker. Music committee--F. J. Allaby, A. H. Patterson, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, J. A. Beyer.

LADIES' FURS AT PRICES THAT WILL MOVE THEM QUICKLY

Table listing fur items and prices: \$33.00 Mink Stoles at 26.00, 40.00 Mink Stoles at 28.50, 50.00 Mink Stoles at 35.00, 45.00 Mink Pillow Muffs at 30.00, 35.00 Mink Muffs at 26.00, 25.00 Mink Muffs at 18.50, 25.00 Black Marten Stoles at 18.00, 14.00 Black Marten Stoles at 8.99, Mink and Marmot Furs from \$5.00 to 15.00, Stone Marten Furs from 8.50 to 25.00, Grey Squirrel Furs from 5.50 to 20.00.

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THE BIBLE SOCIETY

N. B. Auxiliary Will Hold Its Annual Meeting Tonight.

The anniversary meeting of the New Brunswick Auxiliary Bible Society will be held this evening in Centenary church, beginning at 7.40 o'clock. The first twenty minutes will be occupied by a sacred concert by the choir of the church, when the following programme will be given: Anthem, Sing Alleluia Forth, Buck; cantata solo by Miss Drake, Glory to Thee, My God, Gounod; soprano and tenor duet, by Mrs. A. Pierce Crockett and Chas. Knight, Love Divine, Stainer; baritone solo, by D. B. Pidgeon, Fear Ye Not, O Israel, Buck; anthem, Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord, Garrett; organ voluntaries, by Mrs. J. M. Barnes. The meeting will be addressed by the president, Judge Forbes, and by Rev. Gordon Dickie and Rev. A. B. Ochoa. A collection will be taken in the interests of the work.

John Cumming

The public are requested to be present at 7.30, that the programme may be fully enjoyed. John Cumming, a very well known and respected resident of Douglas avenue, died early this morning in his 84th year. Mr. Cumming was born in Aberdeenshire (Scot.), but had lived in St. John for more than half a century. For many years after the establishment of Victoria rink he was connected with it and many who remember him there, as others who knew him in other capacities, will be similarly sorry to read of his death. He was a man of most pleasant and kindly disposition and numbered many friends. One son--John S. Cumming, of Waltham (Mass.)--and one daughter--Mrs. Bessie Warlock--survive. R. J. Robertson, manager here for the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company, has been transferred to Winnipeg. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson will leave St. John about Feb. 1. Rev. H. H. Crumpler, of the Robesay College for Boys, returned yesterday from Toronto.

CHANGES IN WHARF PLANS

Board of Works Revises Specifications in Planning New Wharf.

The board of works last evening prepared the specification for the new 600-foot wharf on the west side. Several changes which experience had shown were desirable in the construction of the wharf and the original specifications were made. The suggestion was put forward by Ald. Willet that the director and consulting engineer should prepare estimates as to the cost and ask for figures from D. O. Clark, the present contractor. Some discussion followed, but the matter finally dropped without a motion, and tenders will be called for. The probability of a delegation going to Ottawa next week to ask the government to arrange for the additional wharf was mentioned. Ald. Bullock occupied the chair, and Ald. Hann, Willet, Lewis, Tilley, Pickett, Baxter and Vanars were present with the director, consulting engineer and common clerk. The consideration of the specification was then taken up and discussed in detail. The following are among the principal changes from the specification for the wharf now being built: The name of the city engineer is estimated and all matters are left in the hands of the director of public works. The wharf is to be built thirty-nine feet from the bottom instead of twenty-two feet. The remaining part of the wharf is to be built in consequence a total height of sixty-two feet per cent. of the former. This is to allow for a possible two feet extra. The wharf is to be built to a height of twenty-two feet above the water level. The wharf is to be built of good sound merchantable birch, maple or spruce, without a motion, and tenders will be called for. The wharf is to be built of birch, etc. The southern pine or white pine from the rear row of the bays are permitted to be laid nine feet apart from centre to centre. The interior longitudinal and cross timbers in the rear row of the bays are permitted to be spaced six feet apart. Bearing surfaces are to be not less than 120 square inches and may be made to lap by placing blocks along side of the bearing to the satisfaction of the engineer in charge. The longitudinals on the ballast floors may be bolted instead of lapped. Should the city decide to do the dredging to any depth from thirty to two feet one-fourth part of the contract price will be deducted for every foot dredged. On motion the specification was approved. The consulting engineer was instructed to prepare the plans which, except for the steeple work, will be practically the same as for the last wharf. State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner, proprietor, and sole owner of the Toledo, Ohio, and State newspaper known as the Toledo Blade, and that said he will use the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1906. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, it cures Catarrh of the bladder and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials to F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Beware of cheap Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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To fully appreciate this remarkable opportunity you must remember--

- 1. That our regular prices are beyond question the lowest in Saint John. 2. That our entire stock of Men and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings has been reduced from regular prices. 3. That the reductions are from prices already lower than those prevailing elsewhere. 4. That the clothing is unsurpassed in tailoring, up-to-dateness and durability. 5. That there are sizes for every man. 6. That clothing is steadily advancing in cost, yet this sale gives you the chance to buy the best that can be made at what is really less than half usual prices.

Table listing clothing items and prices: MEN'S OVERCOATS: Regular \$6.00 Overcoats reduced to \$3.85, Regular \$8.00 Overcoats reduced to 5.90, Regular 10.00 Overcoats reduced to 6.85, Regular 12.00 Overcoats reduced to 8.75, Regular 15.00 Overcoats reduced to 10.00. MEN'S SUITS: Men's \$6.00 Tweed Suits reduced to \$4.50, Men's 15.00 Tweed Suits reduced to 10.69, Men's 18.00 Tweed Suits reduced to 12.69, Men's 20.00 Tweed Suits reduced to 13.50, Men's 10.00 Serge Suits reduced to \$6.85.

Boys' Norfolk Suits, ages 6 to 15, were \$2.50, reduced to \$1.89. Boys' Sailor Suits, ages 3 to 10, were \$2.30, reduced to \$1.80. Boys' 3-Piece Suits, ages 12 to 17, were \$3.50, reduced to \$2.65. Boys' Reefers, ages 6 to 16 years, were \$2.50, reduced to \$1.90. Boys' Overcoats, ages 6 to 17 yrs., were \$3.75, reduced to \$2.95.

The sale starts Saturday Morning, January 12th. Store closed all day Today and Friday, as it will take us all this time to get things in shape to make shopping easy for you.

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THE WORLD OF SPORT

CURLING
The great curling event of the season in St. John, the annual match between the Thistles and St. Andrew's has been fixed for February 23 and 24, with the agreement that if other events interfere with these dates, one game may be contested before the 23rd.

Chatham Curling
Chatham, Jan. 8.—The soft weather materially interfered with the curling, but the ice is now in an excellent condition and great interest is manifested in the contest. The Snowball-Tweeds medals now in progress. Following is the score to date:
J. Fieger, J. Vanstone, M. Tweede, G. Hillsbrand, W. Dick, 5 skip. 111
W. A. Shedd, W. Cameron, H. McKenry, 37 skip. 111
M. Tweede, F. Archer, G. Hillsbrand, A. Johnson, 35 skip. 111

Jobs and Magee Cups
The cold snap last night put the ice in the Magee cup series. The result was as follows:
In St. Andrew's rink one game was played in the Jones' series. The result was as follows:
F. A. Clark, Rev. P. Owen Jones, A. S. Bowman, W. A. Gibson, H. C. Schofield, Dr. A. D. Smith, H. S. Robinson, 14 skip. 8
Murray Bletcher, D. Fullerton, Chas. Haddock, W. S. Jewett, J. M. DeLynn, W. A. Johnson, Chas. Coster, J. A. Kindred, 14 skip. 8

HOCKEY
Probable Marathon Team
The St. John Marathon had their first hockey practice last night to prepare them in some degree for the match with the Crescents of Montreal. The Crescents' team has not yet been definitely decided on but it is said that the remainder of the line up will be selected from the ranks of the Moosey (capt.), Dawson, O'Neil, Phillips, H. Hising, Croighton and Mackay. Clifford Dick of Marystown will act as referee.

THE RING
Young Corbett Easy for Murphy
Philadelphia, Jan. 9.—Tommy Murphy, of New York, gave Young Corbett a severe beating in a round bout before the National Athletic Club tonight. From the first to the sixth round Murphy was in command. Corbett was knocked out in the seventh round. Murphy simply raised blows on the face and body of Corbett, and rights to the face and body. Corbett was in a hopeless condition. The one minute rest between the sixth and seventh round, but Murphy gave him no opportunity to rest. Corbett was knocked out in the seventh round. Murphy simply raised blows on the face and body of Corbett, and rights to the face and body. Corbett was in a hopeless condition. The one minute rest between the sixth and seventh round, but Murphy gave him no opportunity to rest.

ABOUT GANS.
In his fight against Hermann, Gans earned 200 a minute. Gans fought eight rounds, or 24 minutes, and got \$12,000.
Mr. Gans, 28, a native of New York, received a Christmas present in the shape of a suit he got in New York Sunday morning and came direct to Philadelphia, where he again went under the management of Bert Grubbs.

SPRINTING
INDIAN RUNNER IS AN IRON MAN.
Thomas Longboat, the Indian long-distance runner, from Canada, has issued a sweeping challenge to meet America's fastest man. He prefers a race with the Irish of the New York Athletic club, or Bonagh, of the Irish-American club. He is willing, however, to turn professional and make a match for money.

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A HEATED DISCUSSION AT MEETING OF WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD

Water Extension Contractors Want Their Money But Will Not Take it on Progress Estimates — City Will Make Part Payments or Matter Can go to Court.

The water and sewerage board yesterday heard Contractors Joseph and William McVeigh, who asked for payment under the final estimates on Sections 1 and 2 of the water extension. They claimed that they were being hardy dealt with. The discussion proved of considerable interest. The mayor occupied the chair and Ald. Willet, Pickett, Lantaulm, Baxter and Lockhart were present with the director, H. G. Hunter, and the common clerk.

WRESTLING
PROKOS DEFEATED BARRETT.
LAWTON, Me., Jan. 9.—Prokos, of the Terrible Green of Boston, defeated Wilfred Barrett, of Montreal, in a wrestling match here tonight. The style was catch-as-catch-can and Prokos secured the first in 47 minutes and the next in 23 minutes. He used a body hold and reversed full Nelson each time.

SKIN DISEASES
Salt Rheum, Pimples, Erysipelas, Ringworm, Shingles, Scald Head, Itching Sores.
All diseases of the skin are more or less directly caused by a bad state of the blood, which produces acid humors and corrupts the secretions.

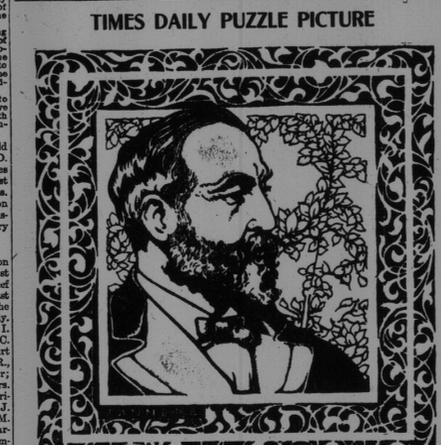
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THE GOOD TEMPLERS AND LIQUOR TRAFFIC
Kings Co. District Lodge Will Ask Government to See That Liquor Law is Enforced in St. John.

TO PREVENT STRIKES AND SETTLE LABOR DISPUTES
Ottawa, Jan. 9.—Hon. Mr. Lemieux's bill for the prevention of strikes and the settlement of labor disputes will be brought before the House tomorrow. It provides that any dispute in any industry or trade shall be referred to a board of conciliation and arbitration.

THE DAIRY SCHOOL
The creamery course in the provincial dairy school at Sussex will begin its fourth session on Tuesday, Feb. 26th, and close on March 8th.

First Rule of Health
Ask your doctor, "What is the first great rule of health?" Nine doctors out of ten will quickly reply, "Keep the bowels regular." While you are about it, ask him another question, "What do you think of Ayer's Pills for constipation?"



January 10, 1863—Forty-five years ago today James A. Garfield defeated the Confederates in the Battle of Prentissburg, N.Y. Find a private. ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE: (Right side down, in context.)

MIGHT AVOID MANY WRECKS

Trainman Would Eliminate Track Curves at Railway Station Approaches.

Discussing a recent statement of Superintendent Park of the Union Pacific, that the "human equation" is not becoming less perplexing in the manner of railroads, a trainman says that this, undoubtedly, is true as far as it goes, but that there are other "equations" entering into the troubles of the roads, which Mr. Park did not discuss, possibly because his railway may not be troubled with it. He said further:

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GEORGE H. HAM IS ILL AGAIN
Popular C. P. R. Employee Taken to Montreal Hospital — He Attended Banquet Last Night

BRINGING BUTTER BACK FROM ENGLAND
Canadian Butter Shipped From Montreal to England is Eventually Purchased in Halifax.

HALIFAX, Jan. 9. — The butter market, locally, is steady enough, though rather quiet, but in the upper provinces it has been somewhat affected by the unfavorable weather.

THE DAIRY SCHOOL
The creamery course in the provincial dairy school at Sussex will begin its fourth session on Tuesday, Feb. 26th, and close on March 8th.

TAXES IN OTTAWA
TORONTO, Jan. 9.—(Special)—Eight cents per head is now being paid over to the municipalities by Provincial Treasurer Matheson as their share of the new tax on railways.

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DO YOU BOARD? advertisement: Everything considered it's best in the end. You have a chance of winning the big cake—that's good.

PATENTS advertisement: PROCURED AND DEFENDED, send model, drawings, how to obtain patents, trade marks, etc.

GASNOW advertisement: PROCURED AND DEFENDED, send model, drawings, how to obtain patents, trade marks, etc.

ROYAL BAKERY advertisement: (TWO STORES) Store Opp. Charlotte and Spring and 43 Main St., N. B.

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THIS EVENING

Vaudville at Keith's. Band at Victoria Rink. United Baptist Mission Study class meets at the residence of Mrs. Jacob Smith, 127 Waterloo street. Lecture on Cambridge University by Owen B. Bull, B. A., in Trinity school house. Annual meeting of N. B. Military Veterans' Association in Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street. Thistle Curling Club will meet to choose skips for match here with Fredericton team. Mrs. G. F. Matthew will lecture on "Reminiscences of New York," in the Natural History rooms at 4 o'clock. Entertainment in Every Day Club, Waterloo street. Bible Society meeting in Centenary church. Week of Prayer meetings in St. Matthew's and west end Presbyterian churches.

THE WEATHER

Forecast - Fine and decidedly cool today. Friday, strong winds and gales, south to west. Saturday, the cold wave which moved into the province from the north, will be in full force, increasing to gale by morning. To Sunday, decreasing northwest to west. To Monday, decreasing southwest to south. To Tuesday, Sable Island, west, 40 miles. To Wednesday, southwest wind, 30 miles at 11 a. m.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT AT NOON.

Highest temperature during last 24 hours, 49. Lowest temperature during last 24 hours, 39. Temperature at noon 49. Humidity 85. Barometer readings at noon (sea level and 25 degrees) 30.07. Wind at noon-Direction N. W., velocity 18 miles per hour. Force 3. Same date last year--Highest temperature 10. lowest 0. Clear. D. HUTCHINSON, Director.

LATE LOCALS

Band and good ice at the Marathon rink tonight.

The C. P. R. steamer Montezuma sailed from Antwerp at 8 a. m. yesterday for this port.

The Times has received from W. Frank Hatheway two very handsome pictorial wall calendars of different sizes, and illustrative of his Tiger test.

The American schooner Harold B. Cousens, in command of Capt. Williams, a native of this city, arrived in port this morning from Richmond, Va., via New York, with a cargo of hard pine.

William Merritt, the champion speed roller and ice skater, left last night by train for Quebec, where he will have charge of the new roller rink recently built there, and which will be opened tonight.

It is expected that the manual training school in Waterloo street will be opened at Easter. Hedley V. Hayes, principal of the Alexandra school, is prominently mentioned as likely to be placed in charge.

The Allan line steamer Pomerania sailed at 8.30 o'clock this morning for London and Havre. While trimming grain yesterday afternoon fourteen longshoremen had a narrow escape from being buried. Their dangerous predicament was discovered in time, however, and they were rescued.

The Carpenters' Union has notified contractors that an increase in wages will be asked for April 1st, 1907. \$2.50 per day for 9 hours will be the minimum wage. A series of public meetings will be held beginning in two weeks, the aim of them being to get all carpenters into the union.

One of the inspectors of the board of health was despatched to find the Russian family suffering from trachoma and who are said to be with a Jewish family. The inspector has not yet located the family. Secretary Burns said that he does not know if the board will take any further action in the matter.

Roller skaters need not care how cold it is outside for the temperature of the Queen's Rollway can easily be made warm enough. Last night it was 62 and the gentlemen were skating without hats or overcoats, and it certainly caused one to forget that outside the temperature was close to the zero point. Roller skating under such conditions certainly must be and is a pleasure. Band as usual tonight.

J. Armstrong, chief engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific Company for the eastern section of the new transcontinental railway, is at the Royal. Mr. Armstrong is here in connection with the tenders which were recently called for sections of the new railway in this province. He surveyed the main line through the Yellowhead Pass, which has been decided on as the most practicable available.

At the annual meeting of the local board of health yesterday afternoon a deputation of the milk dealers were present with their counsel, Dr. A. W. Macrae. They submitted a proposition that the board undertake the washing of the milk cans at the dealers' expense. After some discussion it was agreed that the six cases pending in the police court will be called off till inquiries can be made as to the feasibility of the plan proposed.

The following is a list of St. John people who will leave by train this evening for Boston to take passage in the White Star Line steamship Canopic for Europe, leaving there Saturday morning: Leonard M. Jewett, deputy American consul, who goes as far as Naples; Miss Grace F. Turnbull, for Genoa; D. J. Brown, of Macaulay Brothers & Co., and Joseph T. Knight, of J. H. Scammel & Co., both for Genoa.

Five months ago Lyster, the three-year-old son of Rev. J. H. Puddington, Grand Lake, came to the general public hospital to be treated for bone abscess. On Monday in the main institution he was taken ill with diphtheria and removed to the epidemic hospital, where yesterday he died. Burial took place yesterday afternoon in Fernhill and Rev. F. J. Stackhouse conducted the funeral service. Dr. Malcolm states that it was a sporadic case and he is unable to define the source of contagion.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Arrangements for This Evening's Services.

In addition to the Bible Society meeting in Centenary church tonight, week of prayer services will be held in St. Matthew's Presbyterian and the west end Presbyterian churches. The topic will be "Foreign Missions." The speakers will be: St. Matthew's Presbyterian--Lector, Rev. R. P. Martin; speakers, Rev. N. McLaughlin, Rev. George Campbell, West end Presbyterian church--Speaker, Rev. W. W. McMasters.

OPENING WAS BIG SUCCESS

Three Hundred Men at Every-day Club Last Night--A Fine Programme--Another Concert Tonight.

A great success is the only term which will properly describe the inauguration of the Every Day Club in their hall on Waterloo street last evening. This new free club for men which, as its motto states, aims to help men to be men, was opened most auspiciously and the 300 men who gathered in the large hall were delighted with the entertainment provided.

The programme which was kindly furnished by some of the best talent in the city, was an excellent one. A. M. Belding, chairman of the executive committee, occupied the chair and the first number was a splendid selection by the Exmouth street male quartette.

This was followed by an instrumental quartette composed of two banjos, a guitar and a mandolin, the performers being the Messrs. Hoyt, Mr. Donald and Mr. Smith. Both quartettes were enthusiastically endorsed as in fact was every number on the programme.

G. S. Mayes then sang "The Death of Nelson" in which his fine voice was heard to splendid advantage, his expression being perfect. D. Arnold Fox made an ideal accompanist. As an encore Mr. Mayes sang one verse of the Three Fishers, accompanying himself.

E. W. Appleby, who has a sweet tenor voice of good compass, sang two selections accompanied by Fred Fisher on the piano. W. G. Stokes then gave a piccolo solo which was heartily endorsed, Mr. Fox playing the accompaniments and A. E. McGinley contributed recitations.

Mr. Belding then very briefly sketched the aims and objects of the new club. In the first place, he said, it was a free club for men and anyone might become a member of it without incurring any financial responsibility. The club was neither a political nor a religious one. The motto of the organization was to help men to be men, but the executive did not undertake to interpret what that meant. Each member must do that for himself in his own way. There were, the speaker continued, only two prohibitions in connection with the club, one was that smoking must be confined to the small room, and the other that no card playing will be allowed in the building.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

New Brunswick Lodge Installed Officers Last Evening.

At the regular meeting of New Brunswick Lodge, No. 12, Knights of Pythias, held last evening, the following officers were installed by D. G. C. Charles T. Jones: C. C. Beverly Steeves; V. C. S. Guy Smith; P. J. F. Brown; M. of W. Robt. Maxwell; P. C. K. of R. and S. James; M. of P. C. M. of P. C. Charles S. Everett; P. C. M. of E. W. E. Hopper; P. C. M. of A. R. H. Irwin; I. G. E. E. Thomas; O. G. William Smith. The annual reports were read, showing the lodge to be in a flourishing condition, both financially and numerically, the membership being over 100.

A committee was appointed to arrange for the celebration of the anniversary of the order in February next.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Girls Association of St. John's Stone Church Choose Officers for the Year.

The annual meeting of the Girls' Association of St. John's (Stone) church was held on Monday evening, Mrs. G. A. Kurling, presiding. The following were elected for the ensuing year: honorary president, Mrs. H. V. Cooper; president, Mrs. (Dr.) Gorham; vice-president, Miss Leslie Smith; treasurer, Miss Ethel Emery; secretary, Miss Grace Estey.

Committee of management: Misses Lee de Forest, Alice Addison, Bertie Armstrong, Alice Starkey, Daisy Fairweather and Elsie Jardine.

Flower Mission committee: Misses Maud Golding, Ethel McAvity, and Avis Armstrong.

Business Notices

The Union Clothing Co.'s, 26-28 Charlotte street, old Y. M. C. A. building, will be closed all day tomorrow (Friday) to give them a chance to get all goods marked at sale price for their first stock-taking sale, which will begin Saturday next, Jan. 12. This will be a great opportunity to save money on reliable clothing and furnishings. Union Clothing Co.

The big fire sale at Jas. A. Tufts & Son's, 98 Germain Street, will only last two more days. They have lots of bargains left. Call and see what you can buy for ten cents.

A CLEAN SWEEP SALE.

J. N. Harvey will begin on Saturday his usual January clearance sale of men's and boys' clothing and furnishing goods. This sale has always created a stir in clothing buying, the chances to save money this year will be greater than ever. Watch tomorrow's papers for prices.

"TURN HIM DOWN."

"The elimination of the unfit" in everything is the uppermost thought in the minds of those who control the world's affairs today. Are you alive to this great awakening--the death of "pull and deception"--the system that measures your worth with the electric precision of conscience--each according to ability? Go into commercial life today untried or improperly trained and you are met with the ominous commercial phrase "Fire him!" "Turn him down!" "Cut him out."

This city stands superior to any for commercial training. The Curcio Business University Ltd. meets all the new demands of the times with its motto "Unlimited Progress" which means that every scholarship pupil is a life member of an organization for the furtherance of prosperity among its members.

The pupils are taught to forget the things that are past and by spirited friendly competition they qualify for the high salary prizes that are before. In this way has this institution steadfastly maintained its reputation for ushering into the commercial arena a distinct class of leaders.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO'Y

Yet to Sell Upwards of 680 Yards of Those Wonderful Velveteens Selling at 39c. Per Yard. WORTH TWO OR THREE TIMES THE PRICE ASKED.

All are New Fresh Velveteens. Regular Prices, 70c., 80c., 90c., 95c. and \$1.10. Now, Black and all Colors, at 39c. per yard. These Velveteens have no equal for beauty and excellence of wear, for Dresses, Skirts, Costumes or Children's Suits. All are new Chiffon finish Velveteens now so popular in the States.

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Special Prices on SATEN PETTICOATS 85c. and \$1.00 Each.

These Underskirts are made of good quality Black Mercerized Saten, have three piece crimped flounce, and finished with strapping. This style has always been a great seller.

I. CHESTER BROWN, : : 32 and King Square.

OUR WHITE MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

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is now on exhibition on the second floor, where all are invited to inspect one of the Newest and Daintiest Stocks of White Goods shown in the city at prices that you will know are right.

We are looking for quick sales, not large profits. Come and secure some nice goods.

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WHEN A BARGAIN IS NOT A BARGAIN.

Advertisement for suits featuring illustrations of a man and a boy in suits. Text includes: 'IT'S WHEN YOU PAY A CUT PRICE for a suit that is not stylish; for a suit that does not take your fancy; a suit that leaves you and your boy dissatisfied. A bargain is something you really delight in getting at a low figure.' '2-Piece Suits \$2 to \$6.75. Norfolk style, straight or bloomer pants. For boys 6 to 16 years. Made of very best cloths in pleasing colors. Suits we confidently guarantee. The most careful tailoring.' '3-Piece Suits \$3.75 to \$10.00. In Single and Double Breasted Styles. The latter is very popular, with its broad, long lapels and vent at back. Good roomy garments, broad shoulders, manish cut.'

OUR REGULAR PRICES ARE ALWAYS LOW ENOUGH

Advertisement for householders' linen sale, handkerchiefs for ladies, and tomorrow's cloth ends. Text includes: 'HOUSEHOLDERS' LINEN SALE. FREE HEMMING. This most important event is now on. First orders always hemmed first. TABLECLOTHS, NAPKINS, QUILTS, SHEETS, PILLOW CASES, TOWELS, BEST GRADERS. Expert Work. Promptitude. (Linen Room.)' 'IMPORTATIONS HANDKERCHIEFS FOR LADIES. A charming assortment of new goods for the spring buying. NEW DESIGNS, EM'BD. LAUNNS, EM'BD. LINEN, ALL SIZES, GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS, VERY PRETTY. Display Now Being Made. (Front Store.)' 'TOMORROW CLOTH ENDS. SPECIAL SALE. Remnants of high-class imported cloths in lengths of 1 to 7 yards. All new patterns. TWEEDS, WORSTEDS, CHEVIOTS, SERGES, ALL COLORS, RELIABLE. Coat and Vest, Pants, Etc., Lengths. (Second Floor.)'

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