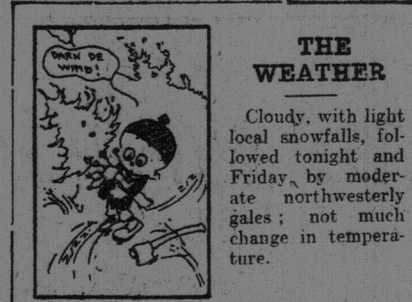


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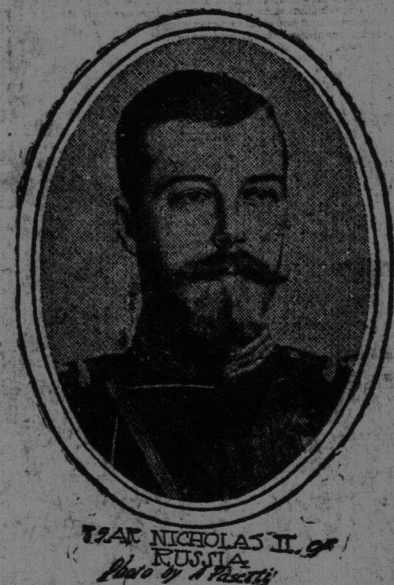
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CZAR ON SENTRY GO; GUARD WILL

Ruler of Russia Credited With Fine Manly Act—Two Hours As Infantry Soldier to Make Test of Equipment

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—(Special)—A Russian court bulletin recorded lately that the czar walked about Livadia for two hours wearing the uniform and carrying the accoutrements of an infantry soldier.



THE CZAR

in order to test the equipment. Another story has now reached St. Petersburg to the effect that, while the emperor was strolling in a park with his adjutant he noticed that one of the sentries had been attacked with hemorrhage. He sent the adjutant to tell the man to quit his post and report himself to the doctor. The man replied that he dare not and that he was under oath to the emperor.

The czar then approached and told the man that the same oath compelled him to obey his emperor, who was empowered by military code to relieve the sentry. The czar then ordered the sentry to surrender his rifle to him and instructed the adjutant to accompany the man to the barracks and explain.

FIREMEN WIN IN HARD FIGHT

Explosions, Falling Walls and \$250,000 Loss Features of Kansas City Fire

Kansas City, Dec. 23.—After a two hours' fight made hazardous by frequent explosions and falling walls, firemen here early today gained control of a blaze that consumed the Biello building at Ninth street and Grand avenue and caused a loss of \$250,000.

A few persons slept in the building but were believed to be the result of a total loss, not even the walls remaining.

SILENT AS TO THEIR HUNT FOR TREASURE

Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 23.—Several of a party of Americans who passed through here two months ago to explore Tiburon Island, in the Gulf of Lower California for hidden treasure and mineral deposits, are hidden yesterday on their way home. For weeks it had been rumored that they had been lost or killed by the cannibal Seri Indians.

FIRE IN MAINE VILLAGE

Munroe, Me., Dec. 23.—The fire-fighting force and apparatus from Brooks hurried seven miles over the country roads in the night and succeeded in saving this village from probable serious loss by fire last night. Although a number of buildings were burned, the store of L. F. Stimpson was the only one totally destroyed. The loss is about \$8,000.

EXPLORER AMUNDSEN NOW BEGINS SEARCH FOR COOK

Report of Committee Investigating Cook's Mt. McKinley Claim Will Be Delivered Tomorrow—It Will Discredit Cook's Declaration

New York, Dec. 23.—A Copenhagen cable despatch to the World this morning says that Capt. Ronald Amundsen, discoverer of the Northwest passage, who planned a four years' voyage in Fram to prove that a current runs from the Behring Strait to the North Pole, has begun a systematic search for Dr. Cook.

The mysterious disappearance of Cook at the time when he was expected to keep in close touch with the University of Copenhagen, which was testing his claim, was the first cause of the doubt of his story which now the university regards as false.

The despatch says that the captain, who was one of Dr. Cook's most ardent supporters, does not expect to start on his Arctic voyage until next July, and will devote the intervening months, if necessary, to finding Cook.

New York, Dec. 23.—The report of the special committee which investigated Dr. Frederick A. Cook's claim of having reached the summit of Mount McKinley will be delivered to the board of governors of the Explorers' Club tomorrow. While the investigators will not now divulge the text of the report, they do not deny that it discredits Cook's claims and such a verdict has been generally anticipated.

While Walter Lonsdale, Cook's secretary, delivered only the carbon copies of the explorer's report at Copenhagen, it is now reported here that Mrs. Cook went abroad with the originals, and was to have delivered them to Lonsdale in London, but that they missed each other and only the duplicate copies reached Copenhagen.

MONTREAL FIRE CHIEFS SUSPENDED

First Results of Judge Cannon's Investigation—A. A. Federation Disbanded—Bernier Before Can. Club

Montreal, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The first results of the recent investigation by Judge Cannon, were shown today when District Fire Chiefs Dubois and Math were suspended and may be dismissed later when the fire committee fully considers their cases.

The Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada, at a meeting held last night, formally passed a resolution disbanding that body and recommending to the A. A. U. of Canada.

Quebec, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Captain Bernier was a guest of honor at a luncheon of the Quebec Canadian Club at the Chateau Frontenac yesterday. He related experiences of his recent trip to the Arctic regions. He received a hearty reception.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 23.—(Special)—Lieut. Col. Moore, commanding officer of the 13th regiment, has received word that King Edward has consented to allow the regiment to be named the 13th Royal Regiment. The honor is conferred because of the regiment's efficiency in shooting and other matters.

Quebec, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The cases against moving picture houses for keeping open on Sunday have been postponed for further evidence.

Bellefleur, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Next Monday will be municipal nomination day and there are no candidates for mayor and twenty-one aldermen.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 23.—(Special)—Fritz Dehn, who is serving a term in prison for snatching a bank clerk's valise containing \$1,000, was released.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Toronto is having a great post office rush. The largest mail ever known here is being handled.

Hamilton, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Joe Tagherino has been acquitted of a charge of sending Black Tim letters.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Hon. Adam Beck was nominated for mayor of London, Ont., yesterday. There will be opposition.

E. R. O. Clarkson was yesterday appointed receiver for Scarborough, his Toronto assessment enterprise, run largely by the same interests which control Dominion Park, Montreal.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The railway board has decided that the telegraph companies should not put its five letter code limitations into effect until July 1.

The question was raised by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. The telegraph companies in that case have allowed the letters to be put into an artificial world. A few months ago the companies announced a reduction to five letters. This was protested, on the ground that it would seriously increase telegraph rates.

WESTERN FARMERS BUY 30 "AUTOS"

Bumper Wheat Crop and Consequent Prosperity Make Things Go

Detroit, Dec. 23.—J. O. Coe, a Saskatchewan farmer, dropped into Detroit on Sunday, and by the time he had finished his errand yesterday, he had purchased thirty automobiles for his farmer friends of the far northwest.

He was not an agent. He told his neighbors he was going east, and they gave him their orders, accompanied by bank drafts. Bumper wheat crops in the northwest were the cause of so much prosperity.

WIDOW GETS \$15,000,000

New York, Dec. 23.—The estate of John Stewart Kennedy, the multi-millionaire banker, who died here last October, is valued at more than \$100,000,000, according to the will which has just been admitted to probate. He left about \$30,000,000 to charity. His widow gets about \$15,000,000 by the will.

THE GLEANER HAD TROUBLE

Fredrickton, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The Gleaner newspaper was not published last evening as the new press lately installed could not be made to work properly. The men worked all night at the job and succeeded in getting the paper out at 7 o'clock this morning.

Byron Kinghorn, resident engineer of the Transcontinental at Edmundston, George E. Howie, who holds a similar position at Grand Falls, and Kenneth Chestnut, who is on the engineering staff at Lacaze are home to ride the Christmas holidays.

Halifax, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Amid the roar of machinery from six steamers, mingled with that of her own, the Allan liner Corinthian was again placed with deep water under her keel at high tide this morning. About 4 o'clock the whistle sounded for all the steamers to take the strain. The lighting of the cargo had its effect. The steamer slid into deep water, apparently unaffected by her four days' stay on the reef.

The Furness liner Shenandoah, the power of C. E. R. tug Cruiser, and the tug Goliath had ropes to the stern of the steamer. The Togo, Scoteman and F. W. Roobling were attached to the bow. A strong pull and a long pull and a pull together did the trick.

FREE TRADE UNION SENDS 800 SPEAKERS OUT TO SMP GREAT BRITAIN

HAPPY MORNING AT KINDERGARTENS Closing Exercises in Brussels and Waterloo Street Schools—Santa Claus There

After a very successful school term, the free kindergartens in Brussels and Waterloo streets, closed this morning for the Christmas holidays. The exercises were interesting and were enjoyed by a large number of people. In both kindergartens, the closing was practically the same. The programme consisted of Xmas songs and carols by the children, and of the playing of games.

In each room was a large tree, with gifts, the handiwork of the youngsters and comprising a variety of articles. Besides having made the presents on the trees the little tots also assisted in decorating the buildings, making long chains of pretty colors, rosettes and fancy paper designs. These were displayed in profusion about the rooms and made a very pleasing sight.

The attendance in each school has been very regular, the average being about forty-five, and no cases of sickness or death were reported.

Those in charge of the Brussels street kindergarten during the past term, were Miss Hattie Allan, Miss Lou Etie and Miss E. Baskley. The teachers in the Waterloo street kindergarten during the past term were Misses Belle Miller, S. Brown, B. East, M. McAlvay, H. Hiley and A. Bullock.

There were many visitors to the schools this morning among them being Mrs. H. H. Fickler, Mrs. John Bullock, Mrs. S. Scott and Mrs. Edward Sears. An interesting feature of the programme in each place was the stripping of the trees of the gifts and while the children were absent from the rooms, having them filled with more useful and costly presents by those in charge, who played the role of Santa Claus very cleverly. The gifts made by the children were given to their parents and friends and were much appreciated. Those in turn, much to their surprise and joy, received many happy remembrances from "Santa Claus."

OTTAWA HOCKEY TEAM MAY PLAY HERE NEXT MONTH

There is a likelihood that the hockey fans here will have an opportunity to see the local septette clash with the Ottawa City Club, the Ottawa team are to play the Amherst Ramblers the later part of this month, two games, and negotiations are being made for a tour to Montreal.

A game here with the All-Isle Johns would no doubt be a big drawing card. The All-Isle Johns, practicing every night now and are commencing to look like the real thing. Among those training out are: Pastorek, Kennedy, Clawson, Phelps, Roberts, Gilbert, Macaulay, Carson Flood, Phalen the Montreal star and Erol Inchee. The team expect to have Cribbe, the Chatham led, and cracker goal tender out with them tonight, also Sam Gregory who some years ago was one of the fastest of the local rink.

ESTRADA WILL NOW ASSUME OFFENSIVE

Bluffsides, Niagara, Dec. 23.—General Estrada, it is said, will immediately assume the offensive against the government of President Madrid. The insurgent leader holds that the Zelayan element was responsible for the capture of the city and his associates now represent the enemy.

The march on Managua is believed to be imminent. The prisoners captured at Rama have been well fed and all who now espouse the cause of Estrada, will be armed and enrolled in the ranks of the insurgents.

MEDALS FOR GIRLS IN NEW YORK STRIKE

New York, Dec. 23.—Cheered and praised like the suffragettes in England, seven girl strikers, who served terms of five days each on Blackwell's Island for disorderly conduct during the strike, were decorated with bronze medals tonight in the presence of 3,000 enthusiastic followers in east side hall.

The medals were given by the Women's Trades Union League.

THE ROSTREVOR SAFE

London, Dec. 23.—The railway companies' steamer Rostrevor, for which fears have been entertained, arrived at Holyhead, Wales, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The captain reported that he had been delayed by fog and also by stopping to assist a schooner which had been damped in the storm.

CORINTHIAN FREED; WORK OF RELOADING BEGUN; LITTLE DAMAGE SUSTAINED

The steamer proceeded to Furness, Wither & Co.'s pier, under her own steam. This morning the wharf presented a busy appearance. Lying in the docks on either side of the pier and in the shed was about 2,000 tons of the big liner's cargo. The lumber was on scows and in rafts, there being about seven of these. Alongside the steamer was a schooner from which the grain was being transferred back to the hold of the Corinthian.

The tug Pastime and Polin were lying in the same dock awaiting an opportunity to get rid of the bunker coal deposited in their holds. The steamer City of Ghent has the apples which were on the steamer. These had to be taken out in order to gain access to the heavier goods. Four

Will Let Loose Flood of Oratory on Monday Next; Lull Now For Christmas Holiday

Proposed Reforms in House of Lords Occupy Attention Now—Lord Curzon's Scheme to Reduce House to 400 and Have Certain Conditions Which Must First Be Met

London, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The Liberals are preparing to meet their opponents at every point in the campaign that will be resumed with unexampled vigor after Christmas. It is anticipated today that the Free Trade Union will dispatch 800 speakers next Monday in an organized campaign throughout the country.

These will combat the vague tariff reform programme of the Conservatives and appeal to the people by means of the trade policy of the government. Their opponents are somewhat handicapped for lack of a definite tariff policy and speakers able to present it in attractive form.

The Daily Graphic (Conservative) makes the following noteworthy admission: "At the best of times in the world, the Unionists are lacking in men who appeal to the imagination of the electorate. There is also an uneasy feeling abroad that the methods of the Unionist associations are not so effective as they should be."

The Graphic hopes the Unionist whips will find a remedy for the disquieting situation during the Christmas lull.

LORD CURZON'S REFORM PROPOSAL

Toronto, Dec. 23.—(Special)—The Globe cable from Stewart Lyon says: "A general truce has been declared in the war of the budget, as the people are too busy preparing for Christmas celebrations, and interest in the fight has for the moment given way to the holiday spirit."

The truce will last until Tuesday, when the fight will be renewed with eagerness and vigor. In the meantime the tariff reformers are rapidly taking a substitute plan to a conference over many proposals for reform of the House of Lords.

FOR HARMONY ON THE DIAMOND

Lynch Asks Umpires for Report on the Baseball Troublemakers

New York, Dec. 23.—Thomas J. Lynch, the new president of the National League, sent out a letter yesterday to his six veteran umpires—Hank O'Day, Bob Emalie, Steve Kane, James E. Johnston, William J. Klein and Chas. Rigler—asking them to communicate with him stating with whom most of their troubles with the players originated last season and whether coaches, managers or "bench-warmers" were primarily at fault.

President Lynch hopes to reduce the friction that has existed in the past between the referees and the players. But before he starts on any plans, he wants the umpires to furnish him with a full list of their grievances and to learn from them the best means of making the arbitrators and players work in harmony.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 23.—St. Paul passenger train No. 43, running north at thirty-five miles an hour, spread the rails one-half mile east of Good Thunder, Minn., this morning, and plunged into the ditch last night. Forty passengers were hurt, none fatally it is believed.

The milk car rolled down a thirty foot embankment and caught fire. The injured were taken to hospital.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE UNCHANGED

London, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Bank of England at their weekly meeting today made no change in the minimum discount rate of 4 1/2 per cent.

STRIKE BREAKERS LET GO

Ludlow, Mass., Dec. 23.—The Ludlow Manufacturing Associates discharged the 20 Greek and Italian strike-breakers brought from New York during recent strike in the mills which ended with the return of the Polish strikers to work this week.

MARCONI AIR LINES BRING MORE WORD OF HEAVY STORM

Terrific Weather Reported in Marconigram to Queenstown from Steamer Chicago—Is Short of Coal—Friesland Not Heard From Yet

Queenstown, Ire., Dec. 23.—(Special)—Further evidence of the terrific weather experienced on the Atlantic in the last few days, have been received here in a Marconigram from Captain French, of the steamer Chicago, which left New York on December 11 for Havre.

The message says he was making for Queenstown for a supply of coal and water to enable him to complete his voyage to Havre. The Chicago encountered a dreadful storm, but it is not yet known whether or not she suffered any damage. She has passengers and mail aboard. The Friesland, liner Friesland from Philadelphia, due here last Monday, has not been heard of yet.

TARIFF DECISION BY MARCH 1

Taft Ready Then to Announce What Countries Will Get Minimum Rate Benefit—President and Santa Claus

Washington, Dec. 23.—A long consultation at the White House between President Taft, Secretary of State Knox, the members of the tariff board and members of the trade relations staff of the state department, indicated that President Taft will be in a position on March 1 next to proclaim just which countries are to be given the benefit of the minimum American tariff in return for concessions on their part.

Senator Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee of the senate, who framed the maximum and minimum clause of the tariff bill, was called into the conference. The tariff board, composed of Professor H. C. Emery, James B. Reynolds and Alvin H. Sanders, has been engaged for the last three months in seeking out tariff discriminations against the United States. It is said that these were not hard to find, and that many of them were entitled to the distinction of being termed "gross."

Efforts will be made to adjust matters with most of the countries through diplomatic channels within the next two months. The greatest difficulty of adjustment is expected with France, because of the heavy increases made by the Javal bill on wines and other imports from that country.

TAFT AND SANTA CLAUS

When little Henry Gordon McMorran, the six-year-old grandson of Representative McMorran of Michigan, was introduced to President Taft, during the congressional calling hour at the White House, he blurted out the chief executive that he had begun to doubt the authenticity of "all this Santa Claus business."

At the suggestion of his parents he had decided to ignore the matter to President Taft for a moment, but looking down on the little fellow and patting him on the head said:

"Well, young man, if you write a letter to Santa Claus and on Christmas morning find he has brought you all that you asked for, isn't that enough to show that he not only exists, but is a mighty fine fellow?" The boy admitted that that certainly would be a point in favor of Santa Claus and he agreed to reserve his judgment until Christmas morning. In the meantime he is going to be very busy with letter writing.

Gifford Pinchot, chief of the Bureau of Forestry of the Agricultural Department, called at the White House and talked with President Taft regarding participation by the United States in the international conservation congress proposed by former President Roosevelt, which it is planned will be held at The Hague next year. The object of the congress is to gather data as to the world's supply of natural resources and to devise the best means of conserving these resources. The president is deeply interested in the subject and assured Mr. Pinchot he would lend whatever assistance he could to the movement.

Industrial education, what it has accomplished and its present condition, in all probability will be made the subject of a general investigation under the supervision of the bureau of labor. Secretary Nagel and Commissioner Neill both favor the subject.

The secretary of the American Federation of Labor, made up of President Fombers, John Mitchell, James O'Connell and Frank Morrison who called to present the subject in obedience to instructions given them at the recent Toronto meeting of the organization where the question of industrial education came up for an interesting discussion. The secretary promised his callers to take up their request for serious consideration.

NO EMBASSY AT VATICAN

The papal legation will send an official communication to Rome supplanting the little White House letter in which President Taft notifies the pope of his inability to recommend the establishment of an embassy to the Vatican. Mgr. Dionicio Falconio, who will sign the communication, will set forth explanations showing that it is not feasible for this country to give diplomatic recognition to the church when there are so many principal religions besides the Catholic.

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QUARTER MILLION TO CHARITIES UNDER WILL

Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—A Christmas gift of \$103,500 to charities was made today when the probate court for Suffolk county approved the final distribution of the residue of the estate of George Wm. Boyd. In addition to special personal bequests there has been previously distributed in charities the sum of \$125,500, making the total of \$229,000 distributed in this manner under the terms of the will.

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IS BOUNTY FROM QUEEN OF ENGLAND?

Unknown Benefactor of Wretched Poor Distributes Christmas Gifts on Victoria Embankment

London, Dec. 23.—(Special)—Unknown men for the past two nights have collected the homeless destitute who frequent the Victoria embankment and have given to each man a knitted jacket, gloves, a scarf



QUEEN ALEXANDRA

and a shilling, and to each woman a shawl, gloves and a shilling. They refuse to give the names of the donor of the articles.

The Daily Mail today says that Queen Alexandra, stirred by newspaper stories of wanderers who seek refuge on the embankment, has taken this means of providing Christmas presents for them.

LEAVE NO AVENUE FOR THEIR ESCAPE

Prosecution Guarding Against Evidry Trio in Bath-tub Case, Droging the Issue

New York, Dec. 23.—Although Mrs. Corinne B. Martin, mother of Mrs. Oney Susad, has been indicted with her two sisters for the murder of the East Orange bath-tub victim, the New Jersey authorities have not yet obtained possession of Mrs. Martin, and the self-willed elderly woman is determined not to be taken from the New York state without a fight.

Alternative indictments have been found against Mrs. Martin, Miss Virginia Wardlaw and Mrs. Mary Susad, under which they may be tried either as having directly caused the death of Cory Susad, or lusted her in suicide. This was held today to indicate that the prosecutor means to leave no avenue through which the elderly trio can escape the alleged responsibility of having been the instruments through which the tragedy was enacted.

BIG COAL AND IRON PROPERTY SOLD

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 23.—At a meeting of the directors of the Georges Creek Coal & Iron Company yesterday, it was decided to recommend the acceptance of an offer by the Jamison Coal & Coke Company for the Georges Creek property. A special meeting of the stockholders has been called for January 15 to ratify the sale. Information as to the exact nature of the offer was withheld. The capital stock of the Georges Creek Company is \$2,200,000.

BRILLIANT RUN BY POOL PLAYER

Boston, Dec. 23.—A brilliant opening run of 71, which set a new world record, held by Frank Eby, kept Tom Hueston of St. Louis, the winner's champion pool player, from Benjie Allen of Kansas City in the second block of 200 balls in their 63-point match in this city last night. Hueston finished the evening with 226 to 111 for Allen. With last night's score added, Hueston leads Allen 412 to 320.

MORE VOTERS IN BOSTON

Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—A gain of 2,019 voters in Boston for the next municipal election in January was shown when registration closed last night. The figures showed 116,753 voters as against 110,656 last year.

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The flour that excels in strength, flavor and nutriment



The Purify Brand guarantees—'More bread and better bread' of your money back.

FAMOUS WOMEN SPIES DURING CIVIL WAR

Pauline Cushman and Belle Boyd Were Most Noted

One Union, Other a Rebel—Both Captured and Sentenced to Be Hanged, But Both Escaped the Rope

All of the interest and discussion now being given to the life of Pauline Cushman and Belle Boyd, two of our most famous war heroes...

As for Miss Boyd, she was born in 1843, which would make her hardly 21 years of age when she was captured...

In searching for the facts about these two women whose names have come down to us a dozen or more half-forgotten names and incidents of fame, pluck, audacity and ingenuity were brought to light...

But, in spite of his unwillingness to let his heroine be considered as drawn too faithfully after any one historic personage, Mr. Chambers should be grateful for the corroborative testimony as to the youth and general attractiveness that these two

To Be DYSPEPTIC Is To Be MISERABLE.

Dyspepsia is the prevailing malady of civilized life. It is largely due to gross errors in diet, over-eating, too free indulgence in stimulants and over-taxing the stomach with indigestible food...

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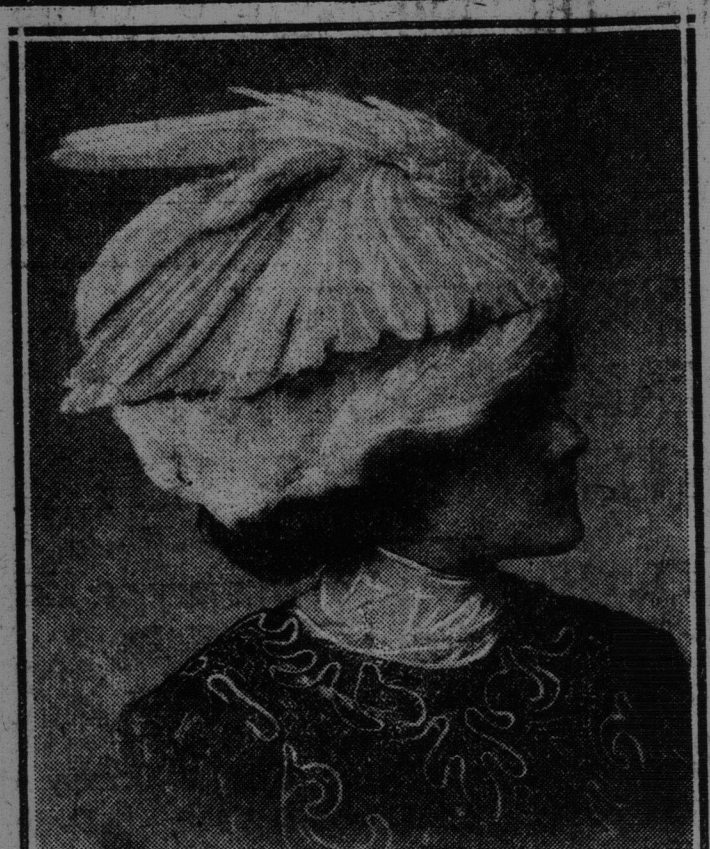
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THE PUMICE STATE

Whole of Nebraska Overlaid With This Volcanic Substance. The name Pumice State might fairly be given to Nebraska, said Harry F. Williams, of Omaha, Neb., who was seen at The National last night...

ENTIRELY. He—A woman likes to be treated like a child. She—She does as long as that treatment means humoring, but when it means ignoring, that's a different matter.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



WHITE MUJIK TURBAN FOR A DEBUTANTE

On the young girl nothing is more charming than one of these snowy turbans which rest far down over the sunny hair. This turban is not made of white fox, as so many of these hats are, but of something far more delicate—snow—white bird plume.

The New Commandment

By Anthony Verrall.

(Continued.) Death, the frenzy of the universe abandoned to this devastating storm—yes, even God Himself—all were forgotten in her mental processes as she concentrated all her being on her hatred of this man, her fellow passenger.

CHAPTER IV. All night the balloon aloft upon the stem of agitated air, hurried onward with the storm. All night the two antagonized beings, being opposite ends of the basket, wrapped in the utter blackness of the universe.

ITEM WELCOMED BY MANY MEN

This treatment is said to have acquired a high reputation throughout the East, owing to its peculiar propensity to fortify the nerve force and generate health...

When cooking peas—It may be useful to the cook to know that French cooks add a teaspoonful of sugar to each quart of water in which peas, marrow, and other green vegetables are cooked.

SAUCE At Lunch Time

Make a point of trying H.P. Sauce, you will be delighted with the new and delicious flavour—quite distinct from ordinary sauces.

H.P. is on the dining tables of all the principal hotels and restaurants in this district—but not in this district alone, it is enjoyed all over the world.

No well regulated home is complete without it—it's useful in so many ways.

faint sense of exultation. The altitude would kill him first! She would like to see him perish before her very eyes!

Perhaps some telepathic hint of what she was in her mind was vouchsafed to the man. A grim smile played momentarily upon his features, rendering his expression more sinister than before.

It became a duel of will that vacillated, faded, and returned again to the conflict as the thin air stirred them to madness.

Ghent was exercising a human power to regain his grasp on consciousness.

John Ghent was staring at him now with dim, lack-lustre eyes that could scarcely focus on his countenance.

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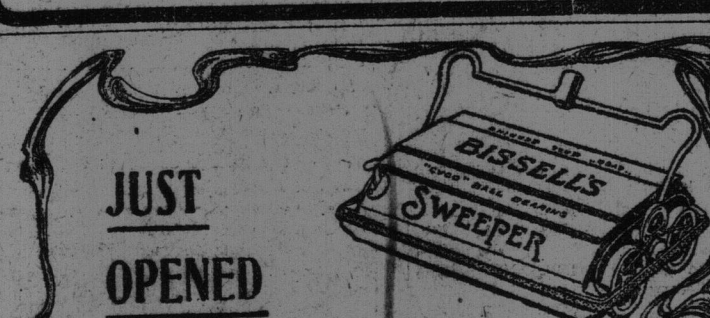
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Dress Goods Remnants At Half Price

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

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

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SMALL AND USEFUL PIECES. Chairs, Tables, Cabinets, Smokers' Cabinets.

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COULDN'T TAKE THE WINDOW

In a French village a citizen had upon his land apart of an old building containing two very beautiful windows.

CANADIAN NEWS NOTES

Toronto, Dec. 22.—(Special)—Charged with conspiracy to defraud E. W. Gillett & Co., Ltd., by agreeing to disclose certain information relative to the manufacture of year and other goods, two former employees of the firm, Owen Morrison and Allan Gibson were found not guilty in criminal sessions today.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—(Special)—A cable received from Port Said today stated that H. B. Ames, M. P. for St. Antoine, was lying ill in the hospital, suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. Ames was on his way home from Sydney, Australia, where he attended the congress of chambers commerce of the empire as one of the representatives of the Montreal board of trade.

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 22.—Two section men named Morin and Cornish were arrested by provincial constables last night for the murder of W. J. Dyson, T. & N. O. Railway night operator at Redwater.

Chatham, Ont., Dec. 22.—(Special)—Fritz Diehl, alias Chapman, the famous crook, convicted a few days ago for the Tilbury value switching case, was sentenced this morning to ten years in Kingston penitentiary.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—(Special)—Local option carried in eighteen municipalities in Manitoba today and was defeated in twenty.

When cooking peas—It may be useful to the cook to know that French cooks add a teaspoonful of sugar to each quart of water in which peas, marrow, and other green vegetables are cooked.

Only One "BROMO QUININE" that Laxative Bromo Quinine Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture



ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

Upside down, in dress.

PESSIMISTIC. Said grumbling Ned: "Though skates and sled From Santa may be nice, I'd like to bet that he'll forget To bring the snow and ice."

Find Sunny Sam.

The Evening Times

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 23, 1909.

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These papers advocate: British Connection, Honesty in Public Life, Measures for the Material Progress and Moral Advancement of our Great Dominion.

THE CANADIAN NAVY

The fact that Canada today has neither the facilities for building naval vessels nor the trained men to man them is undisputed. Neither is it questioned that some years must elapse before Canada can have either the naval yards or the trained men.

One does not like to emphasize this thought during the season of peace and good will, but as a matter of fact the strong navy of a peace loving country makes for peace, and is a form of national insurance against war and spoliation.

A PRISON FARM

The announcement that the provincial government of Ontario has purchased a farm of 613 acres to be used as a central prison marks a great forward step in reformatory work.

St. John people do not need to be told of the ill-effects of ordinary jail life. A man is committed to jail for drunkenness and confined for a certain period, and upon his release is practically certain to yield to the old temptations.

in the more hopeless of these cases. But the experiment would be worth trying; and they would be better on the farm than pursuing a course that is degrading them, disgracing their families, setting a bad example to the young, and annoying people of charitable disposition.

Madrid is president of Nicaragua, but Estrada is the man the people are talking about.

Manitoba is divided on the question of local option, but eighteen municipalities voted yesterday against the saloon.

If the Grand Trunk Pacific is to be completed from Moncton to Winnipeg in 1912 the question of a winter port should be attracting some attention in the near future.

It is stated that there were 422 industrial accidents in Canada during November. Of these, 143 were fatal and 279 serious. Trade disputes numbered eight, a decrease of three as compared with the previous month.

The Standard devotes considerable space to the alleged attitude of Liberal members regarding the naval programme.

Mr. Thomas Hetherington, dominion immigration agent in New England, intimates that the provincial government has not yet discovered his office.

Mr. J. D. Sperry, the Liberal candidate, won the federal bye-election in Lunenburg yesterday by a larger majority than that of Mr. McLean in the general elections.

So far as speakers are concerned, the London cables indicate that the Liberals have the best of it in the matter of men able to sway the feelings of an audience.

The Ottawa Free Press says: "Mr. R. P. Roblin says he is opposed to a Canadian navy, because it indicates that we are desirous of establishing ourselves as an independent nation."

Speaking at a banquet in Montreal this week, Mr. R. L. Borden said: "No man desires to be called a militarist, but no man is worthy to be a part of the nation unless he is ready to take part in the defence of that nation."

The latest statement made by Mr. Monk, M. P., on the question of imperial defence is as follows: "As a citizen of Quebec, I say if the time ever comes the ready of the province will be found ready as they have ever been, to do their full duty."

Major Stephens addressed the Ottawa Canadian Club this week on the subject of Montreal harbor.

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WHITHER WE ARE DRIFTING. Marion—What were the favors at Mrs. Swell's dinner? Myrtle—Motor-cars. Marion—What horse-power? Myrtle—Only thirty. Marion—Isn't she the stingy old gal?

CLOTHING BARGAINS FOR XMAS BUYERS

We have put the knife deep into the prices of many lines of Mens' and Boys' Clothing this gives generously disposed persons a splendid chance to give useful Christmas Gifts at a very moderate cost

- Mens' Overcoats, \$4.49 to \$12.00
Mens' Suits, \$4.95 to \$20.00
Mens' Reefers, Regular, \$5.00 for \$3.98
Boys' Overcoats, \$3.50 to \$12.00
Boys' Suits, \$2.00 to \$12.00
Boys' Reefers, \$2.00 to \$6.00
Mens' Pants, \$1.00 to \$4.50

J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring and Clothing 199 to 207 Union St.

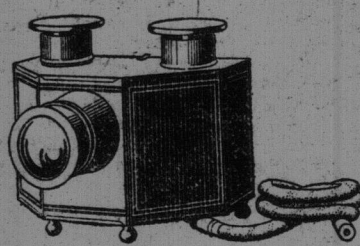
Christmas Slippers

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

D. MONAHAN, 32 CHARLOTTE STREET. THE HOME OF GOOD SHOES

The Microscope Projector

The Successor to the Magic Lantern



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

It is as Easy to Operate as a Phonograph

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Emerson & Fisher Ltd 25 GERMAIN STREET

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Books, Toys, Sleds, Framers, Wagons, Carts FANCY GOODS IN VARIETY Dolls Cheapest in Market

Watson & Co.

Cor. Charlotte and Union Union Sts. Phone 1685

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This is the store the people are talking about. How can they sell at such remarkably low prices? Come in and see our complete line of Xmas Novelties, Toys, Jewelry, Ladies' and Gents' Neckwear, ornaments of all kinds, Dry Goods, Waists less than half price.

BOSTON DEPARTMENT STORE, 7 Waterloo Street

Why Not Something in These Lines?

TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUME, CANDY

Any of these would be appreciated. Ours the latest and best. And the prices—within reach of all. Don't be late—some bargains await you.

"RELIABLE" ROBB, The Prescription Druggist 137 Charlotte Street.

For Useful Christmas Gifts, Go to Wetmore, Garden Street

All Kinds of Useful Goods Suitable for Men, Women and Children; Also Big Variety of Fancy Goods.

OUR LITTLE NEEDS

A little more of love, a little less of pain, A little more of sunshine, a little less of rain; A little more of friendship, a little less of strife— These are what we're wanting to make the perfect life.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

TOO LITERAL. "Did you take your shoes to that place with the sign, 'Shoes repaired while you wait'?"

THE CUP AND THE SLIP.

In feast and trembling, Jonathan Jenkins took his seat at his office desk at 8.30 punctually. Of course, it was most improbable that anything would be discovered, but his guilty conscience gnawed remorselessly at his heart.

CHEERFUL

"What happened to you?" asked the Chronic Optimist, when he woke up in the hospital. "A shark bit your leg off," said the nurse.

A DULL RIDE

He—Shall we go in and have a lunch now? Oh, no; let's keep out till we've run over somebody.—Ally Sloper's.

GREAT LUCK

"What do you think, my dear? Such luck! We leave for Paris in an hour!" "Really?" "Yes, we're going to Pasteur's. My husband has just been bitten by a mad dog."—Ben Vivant.

IN DOUBT

Bacon—"What's his business?" Ebezer—"Hoops." "Well, he is a brewer or a dancing master?"—Yonkers Statesman.

WHAT ISTHMUS IS.

Tommy—"Pa, what is the Isthmus of Panama?" Pa—"The Isthmus of Panama, Tommy, is a narrow strip of land connecting Central America with the United States Territory."

WOULD SCARE THEM MORE.

Gentleman Farmer (to his gardener): "Will you have one of my old hats to make a neckerchief with?" Gardner—"If it's all the same to you, sir, I'd rather have one of the missus's. It would scare 'em more!"

MADE A GOOD IMPRESSION.

"I was very favorably impressed by that young man." "In what way?" "He seemed to give me credit for knowing something."

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

Three men lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the Keystone Hotel barn at Gloucester, (N. Y.) yesterday.

IN THE MAIN OFFICES OF THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

A fire in the main offices of the Western Union Telegraph Co. State street, Boston, did considerable damage last night.

Charles L. Warriner, defaulting treasurer of the Big Four Railway was sentenced in Cincinnati yesterday to six years hard labor in the state penitentiary.

Bryan Patrick Hennessy, thirty-five years of age, died in Montreal on Tuesday from consumption. Hennessy, who was a South African veteran, went to Montreal from Chatham, (N. B.) and was being cared for in the Grace Dart Home.

Gales in Great Britain have done much damage to shipping. The steamer Rost, from Ireland to Wales, is missing and it is feared she has foundered. She carried a crew of twenty-four and a few passengers.

Steamers from the United States arriving at Queenstown report severe weather on the Atlantic coast. Henry Z. Y. Hoxley was executed yesterday in the barracks of the mounted police at Fort Saskatchewan, for the murder of his wife at Mundare, on Sept. 20.

In county court chambers yesterday Judge Forbes granted a discharge in the disburse case of Prescott vs. Blois and R. D. Roach Co. vs. Blois.

When you make chicken salad next time try using canned peas, cucumbers or sliced apples instead of celery. Oatmeal is really best if cooked over night, and in many careful families this is done.

A Merry Christmas

The Safest Investment one Can Make is a

Diamond Watch

If Bought At Our Prices Get a Howard or Longines

Watch

and You Have the Best Signet and Shirt Waist Ring are all the rage this Christmas. We have them

Here's a Snap One Diamond Ring (perfect stone), weight 1, 1.2, 1.32, 1.64 at \$300.00. Who will have it.

A. & J. HAY 76 KING STREET

DENY OUTRAGES IN THE CONGO

Prominent Belgians Express Indignation at Continued Criticism

New York, Dec. 23.—Criticism, in America and Great Britain, of the Belgian administration of the Congo has elicited a manifesto of protest signed by August Beernaert, Belgian minister of state; the director of the Belgian royal observatory, Professor Lecointe, his grace the Cardinal Archbishop of Mechlin, and many other distinguished Belgian educators, jurists and public men.

The protest recites that, as a result of the visit to the Congo of Prince Albert, who now succeeds Leopold to the throne, the Belgian parliament has adopted a beneficial programme of administration by which many reforms have been effected. The system by which the products of the domain were formerly exploited has been abandoned, it is said, and collection of taxes is now made in money and not as formerly, in labor. It is further proposed to give the natives facilities for instruction in trade, industry and morals, and in every way possible to promote private initiative.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional treatment. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a humming sound or in other words, you are deaf. This condition closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out of the tube, you are forever deaf. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that cannot be cured by our Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

THE WOMAN WITH NERVES

If at any time you find yourself getting "nervy," try, if possible, what a few days' change of air and surroundings will do. It often works wonders. The following are a few good rules to follow: Live and sleep in rooms with open windows. Be out in the open air as much as possible, even if it means giving less time to the house.

Try and take ten minutes in a really comfortable chair, with your eyes shut, in the middle of the day. If during the day you feel inclined to weep without any real reason, start doing something that will occupy all your energies.

Perhaps you are not taking sufficient food. Many women do not eat all realize that in order to keep themselves up to the mark their meals must be nourishing and regular. But if you find that you do not easily digest heavy meals, don't eat them. Many women, more especially as they get on in years, would be far better than they are if they took meat once a day only, substituting an egg for breakfast and some vegetable dish for either lunch or supper.

Useful Slippers

are given more than ever at Christmas

We have everything you require in Footwear.

Dress Slippers, House Slippers, Felt Shoes, Dr. Jaeger's Woolen Slippers, Dress Boots, Sporting Boots, Overshoes, Gaiters, Leggings, Rubber Boots, Baby Shoes, Moccasins, Dolls' Shoes and Stockings, etc.

Francis & Vaughan 19 KING STREET

MEKRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

9 Pounds of onions, 25. Corn and String Beans, 9c. a can, 3 for 25c. Tomatoes and Peas, 10c. a can. Cabbage from 5c. a head up. We sell the very best of Sweet Olive Oil.

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Great Sale

Dolls, Toys, China and Fancy Goods

The Price Will Be Right if Bought at

Arnold's Department Store 83 and 85 Charlotte St. Tel. 1768.

XMAS DRUGS OF COURSE

There will be lots of need for Drugs at Christmas even in these gay times, so don't forget our very complete stock. F. E. PORTER, Druggist Cor. Union and St. Patrick Sts.

WOOD

When you want a big load of Dry Wood, Hardwood, Soft Wood or Kindling, try CITY FUEL CO. Telephone 618.

Scotch Hamilton Eli Coal Landing

Best Soft Coal For Grates and Kitchen Fires Leaves Very Little Ash. ALL KINDS OF COAL AND WOOD

GEO. DICK, 48 BRITAIN ST. Foot of Germain St. Phone 1116

Christmas Cakes and Candy

In Large Variety at

Robinson's 5 Stores

Phones: Main 1161 and 1125-11

173 UNION ST. 417 MAIN ST. 78 CITY ROAD 109 MAIN ST. 50 CHARLOTTE ST.

Do Not Delay

Your Christmas Shopping, as so much depends upon getting properly waited on; and that can only be done when we have plenty of time to show you our Very Extensive lines of

Holiday Jewelry, Watches, Silver ware, Cut Glass, etc., etc.

In order to realize the Vastness of our stock, you should make it your business to come and see for yourself. We will be glad to reserve any goods selected for later delivery.

FERGUSON & PAGE Diamond Importers and Jewelers 41 KING STREET

Numerous Gift Suggestions

For the Women Folks
UMBRELLAS—Vast variety.
PURSES—Many styles and qualities.

For the Men Folks
UMBRELLAS—Vast variety.
TIES—Four-in-hand, puff or flowing end.

For the Little Ones
KRINKLEDOWN BLANKETS—In white, blue or pink.
WHITE LAWN DRESSES—Daintily trimmed.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Most Acceptable Gifts Magee's Furs

If you want to make Christmas a doubly happy day give somebody something in furs from MAGEE'S.

Table listing fur items like MINK, FOX, PERSIAN LAMB, etc. with prices ranging from \$25.00 to \$125.00.

D. Magee's Sons, 63 King St. Manufacturing Furriers

CUTLERY and E. P. WARE advertisement featuring images of knives, spoons, and forks.

OBITUARY
John Ward
The death occurred Wednesday at the Mater Misericordiae Home of John Ward.

WOOD KRAFT advertisement for XMAS GIFTS, featuring Wood Kraft, Shaving Sets, and Perfumes.

QUESTION OF THE COST OF LIVING

Comparison of Conditions Now and Those of 35 Years Ago
INCREASED LUXURIES
Seem to Have Become Necessities—Family Expenses Declared Less for Essentials—Harder To Save Money Today

Starting Housekeeping
This account book is that of a young couple just beginning housekeeping.

Some Prices
Next to be considered are the relative prices of the various articles of household expenditure.

Miss Clarissa Raymond
In the death of Miss Clarissa Raymond, which took place Wednesday at the Old Ladies' Home, St. John.

Jewelry That is Admired advertisement for A. POYAS WATCHMAKER and JEWELER.

ENDS KIDNEY OR BLADDER MISERY

Backache and All Other Distress From Out-of-order Kidneys Vanish
If you take several doses of Pape's Diuretic, all backache and distress from out-of-order kidneys or bladder trouble will vanish, and you will feel fine.

When Baby Comes
In other ways the present dollar has lost power over the requirements of the average household.

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

DINNER SETS Christmas Sale of Dinner Sets \$4.75 to \$140.00 each W. H. Hayward Co. Ltd.

Diamonds and other Precious Gems Fine Jewelry, Watches, Clocks and Silverware

Take No Substitute FOR BORDEN'S EAGLE BRAND CONDENSED MILK

CHAS. R. WASSON advertisement for XMAS PERFUMES.

1909--XMAS PRESENTS--1909 advertisement for W. Hawker & Son.

WOMEN'S CLUBS IN MONTREAL TO STUDY WOMAN SUFFRAGE

By the passing of a majority vote of endorsement at their business meeting this week the women of Montreal led the way in a new movement in the city.

TO FIGHT G. T. P. LIQUOR SEIZURE

The right of the G. T. P. police in New Brunswick to seize consignments of liquor shipped by express from St. John to points along the line will be made the subject of a test case at law.

BARGAINS FOR XMAS WEEK AT THE 2 BARKERS, LTD.

100 Princess St., 111 Brussels St., 443 Main St. and 248 King St., West.
Best New Apples, 10c. per lb.
Best Citron Peel, 12c. per lb.

16 TIMES WANT AD. STATIONS
Advertisements received through Times Want Ad. Stations are attended to as promptly as those taken through main office.

Times Want Ad. Stations

The following enterprising druggists are authorized to receive TIMES WANT ADS and issue receipts for same.

- CENTRAL: GEO. E. PRICE, 385 Union St.
BURRIDGE & BROWN, 109 Princess St.
H. J. DICK, 144 Charlotte St.

- NORTHERND: GEORGE W. HOBEN, 538 Main St.
F. J. DURICK, 463 Main St.

- WEST END: W. C. WILSON, Cor. Rodney and Ludlow.
W. C. WILSON, Cor. Lacey and Rodney.

- FAIRVILLE: W. J. HIGGINS & CO. CUSTOM AND READY-TO-WEAR CLOTHING.
W. J. HIGGINS & CO. CUSTOM AND READY-TO-WEAR CLOTHING.

- COAL AND WOOD: WHEN YOU WANT A BIG LOAD OF DRY WOOD TRY CITY FUEL CO.
R. F. & W. F. STARR, LTD. WHOLESALE COAL AND IRON MERCHANTS.

- CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS: EDWARD FARRER, CARPENTER AND BUILDER.
ROBERT M. THORNE, CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

- DYE WORKS: AMERICAN DYE WORKS CO.—New life for your old garments.
DRY GOODS: THE NEW DRY GOODS STORE, 7 WATERLOO STREET.

- ENGRAVERS: D. O. WESLEY & CO., ARTISTS AND ENGRAVERS.
FURNITURE: ALL kinds of second hand furniture.

- FRUITS, CONFECTIONERY: GROCERIES—NOW IN STOCK, A FULL LINE OF Choice Family Groceries.
HOTELS: ST. JAMES HOTEL, No. 7 St. James Street.

IRON FOUNDERS

UNION FOUNDRY & MACHINE WORKS, Limited, George H. Waring, Manager.

LADIES' TAILORING

LADIES' TAILORING—MRS. TREAR, 101-103 Main St.

MILLINERY

MISS M. CAMPBELL, in the new millinery parlors in the Royal Block.

MASSAGE AND ELECTRICITY

DR. WILBY, MEDICAL ELECTRICAL SPECIALIST AND MASSAGE ASSISTANT.

PRESSING AND CLEANING

OLD CLOTHES MADE NEW, West Side—Pressing, cleaning and repairing for Men or Women.

PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANT

CHICKENS, LAMB, WESTERN BEEF, etc. DICKSON, City Market, Tel. 282.

RESTAURANTS

TRY THE NEW RESTAURANT, 184 MILL street, Choice Cheesecakes, Steaks, etc.

SLEIGHS AND PUNGS

NEW AND SECOND-HAND SLEIGHS and Pungs. Repairs all ice breakers.

STOVES

STOVES—NEW AND SECOND HAND Stoves and Pumps. All work and jobbing promptly attended to.

WATCH MAKERS

WATCH, CLOCK, JEWELRY and Optician repairing. Gems set to order.

WATERWORKS

WATERWORKS—HIGH CLASS WORK. Modern charges. W. W. CORY.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta.

BOARDS

WANTED—A few more boarders at Keith's, 99 Elliott Row. 2206-12-25.

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QUEEN Insurance Company

Insurance for all kinds of property. Jarvis & Whittaker Fire Insurance.

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74 Prince Wm. Street.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

WANTED—Immediately, a young lady to take general care of offices and halls. Apply to Dr. J. D. Maher, 327 Main street. 2414-L.

WAITRESS WANTED

WAITRESS WANTED at once, also experienced chamber maid, at the Clifton House. 2381-L.

WANTED—MALE HELP

WANTED—Young man stenographer, at American Consul's office. 2407-12-24.

BOY WANTED

BOY WANTED—Apply at once, Horace C. Brown, 83 Germain street. 23-4f.

WANTED—FURNITURE

WANTED—Furniture, cylinder and job press feeders. Apply Telegraph Job Office. 23-4f.

WANTED—MEN

WANTED—Men in any locality in Canada to make up for lost and \$3 per day expenses. Apply to the advertiser.

WANTED

WANTED—Two rooms and board for gentleman and wife, with two children. Must be in good locality. Box 39. Times office. 2412-4f.

WANTED—Second Hand Piano

WANTED—Second Hand Piano in good order. Times office. 2413-12-24.

WANTED—The person who took a muff

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

WANTED—Royal Dairy Lanes

WANTED—Any person having a small Motor Boat for sale or to trade for large one, address Motor, care of Times Office. 11.

WANTED

200 of our customers to try a 25c. box of JORI-OO.

DYSPEPSIA TABLETS

Money refunded if they do not cure.

BARDSLEY, DRUGGIST

Cor. Richmond & Brussels at

SITUATIONS VACANT

WANTED—A teacher for School District No. 14, Parish of Lunenburg.

POST CARDS

POST CARDS, Novelties, Local Views and Souvenirs, etc. at the lowest possible prices sent from Montreal.

LOST

LOST—On Friday morning last in Mill street or from Boston outgoing train, a man's wallet. Please return to Daily Telegraph.

HOTELS

VICTORIA HOTEL, KING STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B. ELECTRIC ELEVATOR AND ALL LATEST AND MODERN IMPROVEMENTS.

D. W. McCORMICK, PROP.

Accommodation for Both Permanent and Transient Guests. Rideau House, Cor. of Union St. and Hazen Ave.

INSURANCE

of every description. TITCKETS to any part of the world.

McLEAN & McGLOAN

97 Prince William Street. (Opposite C. I. K. Telegraph Office) Phone 105.

Christmas Flowers

Very choice Roses, Carnations, Narcissus, Violets, Lilies, Hyacinths, Swansons, etc. Also fine plants in bloom, suitable for Xmas Presents.

H.S. CRUIKSHANK

Wood's Rhosphodine, The Great Rhosphodine Remedy for Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, etc.

Jarvis & Whittaker

74 Prince Wm. Street.

SHIPPING

Arrived Yesterday.

Stmr Karen (Nor), 1072, Pedersen, from Boston, R. Reford Co, gen cargo for Havana.

Sailed Yesterday. Stmr Bertha (Nor), 603, Aamott, for Havana.

Stmr Teodoro de Larrinaga, 2389, Rous, for Boston and New York.

DOMINION PORTS

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22—Ard stmr Shenandoah, from London.

BRITISH PORTS

Glasgow, Dec. 21—Ard, stmr Pretorian, Boston.

Sailings to St. John. Stmr 24th—Stmr Mongolian, Philadelphia via St. John's (N.F.) and Halifax for Philadelphia.

Stmr 16—Ard, stmr Canada Cape, Montreal.

Stmr 22—Sld stmr New York, for New York via Cherbourg and Queenstown.

FOREIGN PORTS

Boston, Dec. 21—Ard, schrs Henry H. Chamberlain, Bear River; Wilens Gert, Hildesheim, Ravola, St. John; Yolan, do, Paraburo.

Stmr 21—Bound south, schr Kenneth C. Bridgewater (NS) Halifax, Dec. 19—Ard, schr Abbie C. Galois, Dec. 19—Ard, schr Abbie C. Galois, do; Lacey, do for St. Stephen.

Portsmouth, Dec. 19—Ard, schr Minnie Slauson, 38 John to lead for New York; Saunderstown, RI, Dec. 21—Sld, schr S. A. Fowles, Wickford, for St. John.

Halifax, Dec. 21—Ard, schr Ann J. Trainor, New York.

SAILLINGS TO ST. JOHN

Melville, Port Natal, Nov. 30. Bray Head, Greenock, Dec. 2. Manchester Mariner, Manchester, Dec. 4.

Parthenia, Glasgow, Dec. 11. Glenaham Head, Ardrossan, Dec. 11.

Shannonville, London, Dec. 12. Mount Temple, Antwerp, Dec. 15.

Corsican (chartered), Liverpool, Dec. 17. Fytha, Glasgow, Dec. 17.

Manchester Importer, Manchester, Dec. 18. Bengore Head, Belfast, Dec. 23.

Montreal, Antwerp, Dec. 23. Empress of Ireland, Liverpool, Dec. 31.

VESSLS IN PORT

Steamers. Athena, 5523, R. Reford Co. Karen, 1072, R. Reford Co.

Lake Champlain, 374, C. P. R. Co. Prasauid, 113, C. M. Kerrison.

Tunisian, 682, Wm Thomson & Co. Schooners. Abbie C. Stubbs, 205, J. Spence Co.

Adonis, 315, A. Cushing & Co. Annie A. Booth, 163, A. W. Adams.

Arthur J. Parker, 118, J. W. McAlary. C. J. Colwell, 82, C. M. Kerrison.

Cora May, 117, N. Scott. Clavis, 123, J. W. Smith.

George W. Anderson, 169, C. M. Kerrison. Eva C. 250, A. W. Adams.

Elmo, 209, A. W. Adams. Fanny, 99, A. W. Adams.

H. J. Logan, 72, J. H. Scammell & Co. Jennie A. Stubbs, 150, master.

Katherine V. Mill, 210, J. A. Lively. Lotus, 384, P. McIntyre.

Lucia Porter, 284, P. McIntyre. Moama, 384, P. McIntyre.

Onole, 124, J. Spence & Co. P. W. Cooper, 106, A. W. Adams.

W. H. Waters, 120, A. W. Adams. (See also page 3).

ZELAYA ISSUES

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AMUSEMENTS

NICKEL Santa Claus New Show

BRING THE CHILDREN TO THE SANTA CLAUS MATINEES. St. Nick comes to the chimney and visits audience.

"A CORNER IN WHEAT" Magnificent Biograph film. "THE FEMALE REPORTER," Comedy. "AN AMATEUR HOLD-UP," Comedy.

"Land Battle of British Blue Jackets" NELLIE LEAVITT, MASTER PACKER, Soprano. CONTINUOUS CONCERT BY ORCHESTRA!

ONLY THREE DAYS TO RETURN COUPONS

ORPHEUM PAYTON and WILSON

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

W. H. IRVING STRUCK BY EXPRESS TRAIN

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 22—While W. H. Irving, of Beauceville, was walking on the track near Main street, crossing en route to the depot to take the train for Loggieville, where his wife is visiting, he was struck by the Maritime express and knocked from the track, but fortunately escaped serious injury.

HAPPENINGS IN UNCLE SAM'S TERRITORY

London, Ky., Dec. 22—A triple murder and suicide occurred at Pittsburg (Ky.), a mining village, today, when William Murray, a miner, shot and killed his wife and her mother, and Albert Cole and himself.

Murray's objections to the alleged attention of Cole to Mrs. Murray are given as the cause.

ST. JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY

At the closing of St. Joseph's University on Tuesday evening a very interesting programme was carried out. Previous to an entertainment given by the members of the Bilingual Society, two addresses, one in English and the other in French, were presented to the Rev. Dr. Guertin.

Dr. Guertin responded feelingly, thanking the students for their kind words, and concluded by giving them some sound advice on "how a student should conduct himself during vacation time."

The entertainment given by the Bilingual Society consisted of the following programme: Speeches in French by Messrs. Ulickan, Doherty and Asseline. Speeches in English by Messrs. J. Blane, Doherty and Asseline. Declaration by Joseph LeBlanc and Leonce Plante.

The fact that each of these students spoke in a tongue that was not his own, made the programme of an unusually interesting nature.

The following St. John students arrived in the city last evening to spend their Christmas vacation: Leo Doherty, John Nugent, Urban Sweeney, Frank Cronin, Edward Hemmery, Sigismond, Fred McGuire, Charlie McHugh, Harry Ramage, Arthur Allen, and Joseph Donavan.

Bermuda is becoming a greater winter resort each season. It is expected that the present winter travel will be worth \$1,000,000 to the island.

Stella Maud, C. M. Kerrison, Tay, 124, P. McIntyre. T. W. Cooper, 106, A. W. Adams. W. H. Waters, 120, A. W. Adams. (See also page 3).

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS

LOWEST ONE-WAY FIRST-CLASS FARE FOR ROUND TRIP. Going Dec. 21, 1909, to Jan. 1, 1910, inclusive, good for return until Jan. 31, 1910.

Between all stations on Atlantic Division and Eastern Division to and including Montreal.

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Holiday Fares

VIA INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY FOR Christmas and New Year

FIRST CLASS ONE-WAY FARE. Between all stations on the line. Going Dec. 21 to Jan. 1, inclusive. Returning until Jan. 31, 1910.

To stations beyond Montreal. FIRST CLASS ONE-WAY FARE TO MONTREAL, ADDED TO FIRST CLASS ONE-WAY FARE AND ONE-THIRD BEYOND.

Going Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, Jan. 1. Returning until Jan. 3, 1910.

Territory—Detroit, Mich., Port Huron, Mich., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Port Arthur, Ont., and points in Canada and thereat.

Queen's Rink

OPEN FOR SEASON. SEASON TICKET PRICES. Children, \$1.50. Senior, 2.50. Ladies, 2.50. Gentlemen, 3.50.

Single Admission. Ladies and Children, 15c. Gentlemen, 25c. R. Armstrong, mgr. Phone 720.

At the Dominion Exhibition there is hoped to have a partnership and to have exhibitions of manufacturing.

The Piercing Rheumatism

is from the Acid in the Blood. Get it with Abbey's Effervescent Salt.

NEARLY EVERYBODY READS THE TIMES AND ALL READ WANT ADS.

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1909

DISSOLUTION SALE

\$40,000

Worth of
Valuable Merchandise

To Be Sacrificed Before January 1st, 1910

Stores Open Every Night Till 10 o'clock

SALE OPENS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17th

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

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

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

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

In Men's Clothing Dept.

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

Shoe Department



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

Ground Floor—Ladies' Dept.

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

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

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

In Hat Department

The Great \$3.00 King Hats, Sale Price \$1.98
Men's \$2.50 Stetson Shape Softs, Sale Price \$1.48
Men's \$2.50 Hat Hats, latest shapes, \$1.98
Men's \$2.00 Pocket Hats, .98c.
Men's Caps, from .48c. to \$1.50



Cloak Department

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

WILCOX BROS.,

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and Market Sq.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS, CHATTY NEWS OF THE GREEN ROOM

MISS MARGARET ANGLIN

When Miss Margaret Anglin is in Boston at the Colonial Theatre in "The Awakening of Helena Richie," next week, she is to be the guest of several affairs...

Joseph Brooks has engaged Digby Bell to play the principal comedy part in "The First Night," which Lillian Russell is to appear in Philadelphia at the Broad Street Theatre on Christmas night...

The publishers of the New York Clipper announce that they have in preparation a series of articles on "Notable Players of the Past and Present," beginning with Edwin Forrest and continuing down to the present time...

"Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," the dramatization of the "Rebecca" stories by Kate Douglas Wiggin and Charlotte Thompson, which Klaw & Erlanger produced recently in Springfield and which will open at the Tremont Theatre in Boston January 3, is the theatrical surprise of the year...

A Skin of Beauty is a Joy Forever. Dr. F. Felix Gouraud's Oriental Cream or Magistral Beautifier. Includes an illustration of a woman's face.

drama which involves the difficulties in which thirty-five couples found themselves upon the discovery that they had not been legally married...

Miss Maud Adams always begs to be excused from interviews. It gives her a great deal of trouble always to decline to talk for publication...

"I suppose it's the loneliness of the road life, the hard work away from home and friends, that makes an actor rather low spirited at Christmas time," says Edgar Atchison Ely...

The American Dramatic Guild recently received a play submitted to them by a convict of the Moyamensing prison. The author, known simply as Convict B, hopes, if his play is accepted and proves a success, to use the money received to aid in gaining his freedom...

"Is Matrimony a Failure?" which the all-star David Belasco Company is presenting at the Belasco Theatre, New York, is now in the fifth month of the most phenomenal success that any comedy has enjoyed since "Charley's Aunt." Indeed so great is the popularity of this merry



new last winter that Caruso's voice was going back on him. Then we were told that when Caruso went to Europe and took a special course in something or other that his voice had regained its old-time brilliancy and color and wonderful beauty...

SPEAKS OF GAMBLING, INTOXICATION AND THE SOCIAL EVIL. Taking for his subject present-day social and moral evils, Rev. J. G. Shearer, of the Moral and Social Reform Council of Canada, delivered two powerful sermons in Ottawa on Sunday...

of its being carried on in their particular constituency. "I will have an opportunity," Dr. Shearer declared, "of dispelling such ignorance before a select committee of the House" at an early date, and have the evidence from their own constituents ready to bring before this committee...

imported under the white slave trade, while three times that number native-born, are forced into a life of shame. These were appalling facts. The Lord's Day Observance Act, the speaker declared, was accomplishing a great deal of good in preserving a day of rest for the working man.

Big Reductions Make Great Opportunities For Last Days' Selling.

Balance of Small Furs at your own price. \$11.25 Marmot Stoles... \$5.75, \$12.50 Alaska Throws... \$6.25, \$13.75 Alaska Ties... \$6.90, \$5.75 Astrachan Throws... \$2.90, \$11.85 Isabella Fox Throws... \$5.75

Dainty Mull Waists at about half. The finest imported Lingerie. Shirt Waists in white, sky or pink—embroidered, mull—\$4.50 Waists... for \$2.00, \$3.50 Waists... for \$2.25, \$3.00 Waist... for \$2.25

Fancy Goods All to be cleared out tomorrow at cut prices. Burnt Leather Goods, Tie Racks, Wash Holders, Shaving Pads, Post Card Books, Pipe Racks, Match Holders. All were 50c... now 39c, 24 Cuckoo Clocks, worth \$1.00 now 39c.

Men's Furnishings cut in price tomorrow. Men's four-in-hand Ties in boxes \$35c. Men's Regatta Shirts, regular \$1.00, 75c. Men's White Sweaters, \$1.40 and \$1.85 qualities for \$1.25 and \$1.50. Men's Warm Wool Gloves, 60c quality for 49c. One hundred suits 'Stanfield' Underwear—\$2.50 Suits... for \$1.95 suit, \$3.00 Suits... for \$2.50 suit

Reduced prices on Ladies Goods. \$1.25 and \$1.00 Leather Belts, now 60c. 75c to \$1.25 Black and colored Silk Belts, now 50c. Fine Spanish Lace and Cream Silk Scarfs, 18 inches wide, at half price—\$4.50 Scarfs... for \$2.25, \$3.50 Scarfs... for \$1.75, \$2.25 Scarfs... for \$1.13

Ladies' Trimmed Winter Gloves at great reductions. "Dent's" Ladies' Gloves, fine quality, wool lined—Regular \$1.95... now \$1.35, \$2.00 Ladies' Lined Mocha Gloves, to clear \$1.45, \$1.35 and \$1.50 Ladies' Lined Mocha Gloves, to clear \$1.00. Children's Lined Mocha Mitts, Regular 50c and 60c, to clear 39c pair

Ladies' Trimmed Hats Choice of every pattern hat at just one-third the regular price. \$10.00 Hats... for \$3.33, \$8.50 Hats... for \$2.84, \$6.50 Hats... for \$2.17. Old Ladies Silk Bags Black and Colored. \$1.50 Bags... for 60c, \$1.00 Bags... for 49c.

Great Bargains Men's Winter Gloves. Reduced tomorrow. Several hundred pairs of fine Gloves to go at these prices—\$1.75 and \$2.00 Fine Wool Lined Mocha Gloves, tomorrow \$1.48 pair, \$1.25 and \$1.50 Fine Outseam Wool Lined Mocha Gloves, tomorrow, \$1.00 pair, \$2.25 Fur Lined Mocha Gloves \$1.75, \$3.00 Fur Lined Mocha Gloves \$2.50

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YOUNG FOLKS PAGE

How the Bears Learned to Coast—A Christmas Story. By Maud Walker.

There was much excitement in Bear City. One of its youthful citizens had gone off in the night, no one knew where. And as it was nearing Christmas Day the wise fathers of Bear City were fearful that some cannibalistic people had coaxed the venturesome fellow from his home that they might slay him and devour him for a Christmas feast.

"Is the first time my son ever went away from home without asking my consent," wept the mother bear, alluding to the departed one. "And I'm sore afraid he has met with foul play. And if he

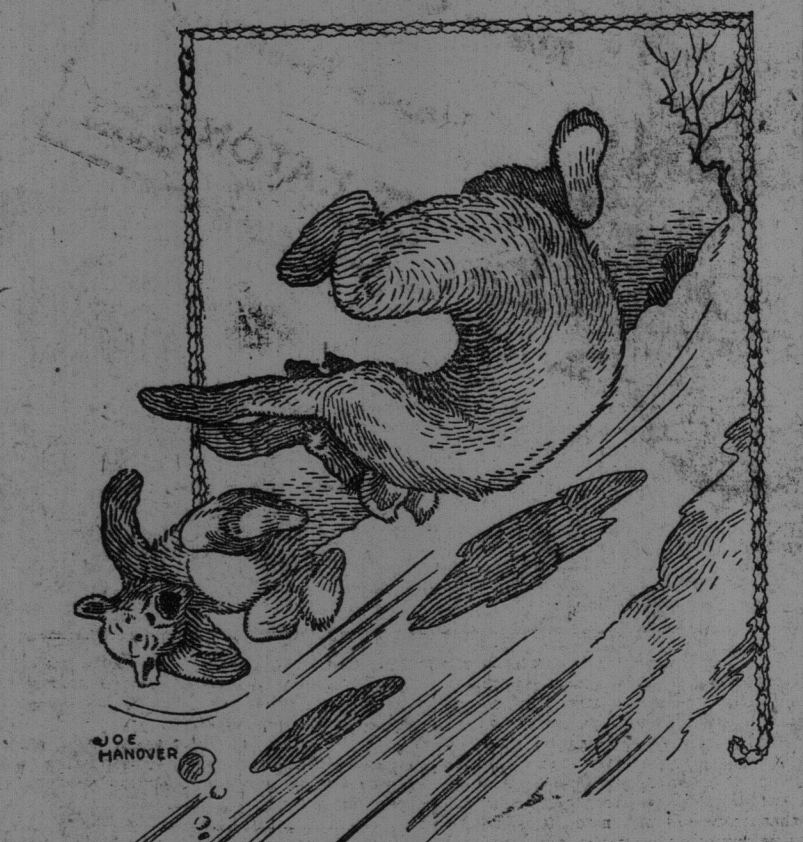
now engaged in? And why have you left your happy home to come away off here in the frozen mountainside to climb up and slip down this icy slope? Come, give an account of yourself. For your poor mother is all but distracted over your unaccountable disappearance.

"Lightfoot paused while half way to the top, and, hanging on to a bit of hemlock bush that thrust itself through the solid ice on the mountainside, answered in a weak voice: "Friends and neighbors, you may think I am capering in this fashion for fun, but you are sadly mistaken. And if you'll assist me to reach the top of this slide I'll explain how I came to be here."

"The wisest of the wise of Bear City called the orders to those at the top, and upon receiving them the half dozen young bears scampered off through the woods to gather together the grapes, which were to be used in lauding the victims of the ice slide to a place of safety.

"Before the afternoon had waned every bear, old and young, was again on safe footing, and heading toward the place they called home. And as they went along Lightfoot explained his absence from home. Here is his story:

"I am too weak to give the instructions," declared Lightfoot. "I have been climbing and rolling back, nearly all night, and you may imagine how weary and cold I am. At first it was great sport—the sliding down, but after an hour or two it became less enjoyable. And after a night and a forenoon of such exercise one hasn't an extra breath left in his body. So one of you call out the instructions to the rescuing party at the top."



One big fellow struck against Lightfoot and caused him to lose his hold on the bush.

"I don't return before Christmas Eve I shall be too unhappy to complete my preparations for the Christmas Day dinner I had anticipated with so much pleasure."

"Never mind, never mind, good friend and neighbor," said another mother bear, putting her arms about her disconsolate friend. "All our fathers, husbands and sons, are going forth to search for you. The best will the worst is assured. Come, cheer up until other news has been received."

Then, with a flurry of trumpets, the male citizens of Bear City went forth to find the lost, strayed or stolen youth whose disappearance the night before had caused so much stir and anxiety in the town.

"Heigho, there, Lightfoot!" cried one of the wise fathers of Bear City. "What sort of antics do you call those you are there creeping slowly up the icy ascent, to slip suddenly down again, could be seen a dark object much resembling a bear."

"It's Lightfoot Brum, as sure as we're here," declared one of the old bears after taking deliberate view of the moving object on the mountainside. "Yes, it's he, but what sort of nonsense can he be at there? Come, let's go at once and prevail upon him to return to his home with us."

Within half an hour the company of searchers had gathered at the top of the icy slide where Lightfoot Brum—for it was he—was still making slow work of getting up the steep incline, for no sooner would he reach a certain place than he would immediately slip back to the very bottom of the slope again.

"You see, my friends and neighbors, my dear mother and sister are planning on having a great feast on Christmas Day, and mother said yesterday that she wished she could procure enough of those bright red snow berries that grow upon the mountainside to decorate our house on the festive day. Well, I conceived the idea of obtaining the berries for her at night, and hiding them in a hollow tree till the day for their arrival and then bringing them to her as a little glad surprise. Last night I traveled miles in search of the berries, and at last saw by the light of the moon what appeared to be what I wanted. Down the icy slope I started to gather them, when I lost my footing and slid to the bottom. And there you found me this afternoon, still at-

tempting to get not only the berries, but to the top of the slide. And now that I am on my road toward home again I must tell you that the experiences of last night and a great part of today have been past description. I feared I should perish there. But lying aside the memory of the unpleasant part of it, I think I have discovered a most jolly game—sliding down an ice-bank."

"Yes, it will be grand sport," cried half a dozen of the youthful bears. "And since you have ceased safely—"

"You mean since I have been rescued," corrected Lightfoot.

"Well, since you have been rescued, and are not the worse for the trying experience, we shall have you help us plan the ground for the new sport. And what shall we call it?"

"Coasting would be quite an appropriate name," suggested one of the wise fathers of Bear City.

And on Christmas Day, after the great holiday feast, which was partaken of at the home of Lightfoot Brum, the bears, one and all, repaired to a pretty little slope, which had been prepared by the youth of the town as a coasting ground, and there they enjoyed the sport of coasting down hill till the stars came out. And the fun of sliding down was so great that the participants didn't mind walking up again. "It's quite different to being drawn up by a grape-vine, isn't it?" asked one of the wisest of the wise.

"Yes, and the coasting down is somewhat more enjoyable here than on that icy slope where to get up by one's self is out of the question," declared Lightfoot.

And that is how the bears learned to coast in winter-time.

SANTAS SONG



Now I'm off to Earth again; I go there once each year, And carry toys to cheer the hearts Of little children dear.

I love my boys and girls down there, And when on Christmas Day I harness up my sleigh and deer, And like the wind away,

PAT'S VISIBLE MEANS OF SUPPORT.

It is a very sharp emergency that can catch the witty Irishman, even though he be ignorant and ragged. Pat, whose garments were in tatters, was brought before a magistrate on the charge of being a vagrant, with no visible means of support. Pat drew forth from his pocket a huge hunk of bread, the half of a dried cod fish, and several cold potatoes, and spread them on the judge's stand. "Shure, yer honor, what do you call that but visible means of support?" he asked, coolly. And with a smile the magistrate dismissed him.

BALLOONS GO UP AND DOWN.

Onlooker—Your profession is a rather uncertain one, is it not?
Aeronaut—Yes, we have our ups and downs.

NOT IN HIS LINE.

Visitor—Doctor, I don't know what the trouble is, but I can't sleep at night.
Doctor—Um—yes. What is your occupation?
Visitor—I'm a coal dealer.
Doctor—Pardon me, but you should consult a minister. I can't undertake to relieve your conscience.

JOHNNY IN THE PARLOR.

Johnny in the parlor peeped, To see what he might see; And there he saw to his surprise A bear up in a tree.

And maybe you will be surprised A little more to hear That little Johnny was not afraid, But smiled from ear to ear.

For, truth to tell, that awful bear Was just a Teddy, gay, And Santa Claus had brought him there With Little John to play.

AND THERE YOU ARE.

Mrs. Collier Downe—I hope you're not going to go out during the acts for a drink.
Mr. Collier Downe—You wouldn't have me have it brought in, would you?

CONUNDRUMS.

When is a blow from a stranger acceptable?
When he strikes you agreeably.
What small animal is turned into a large one by being beheaded?
Fox-ox.
At what age should a young man marry?
At the personage.
When is a sheep like ink?
When taken into the pen.

WHAT TEDDY WANTED MOST.

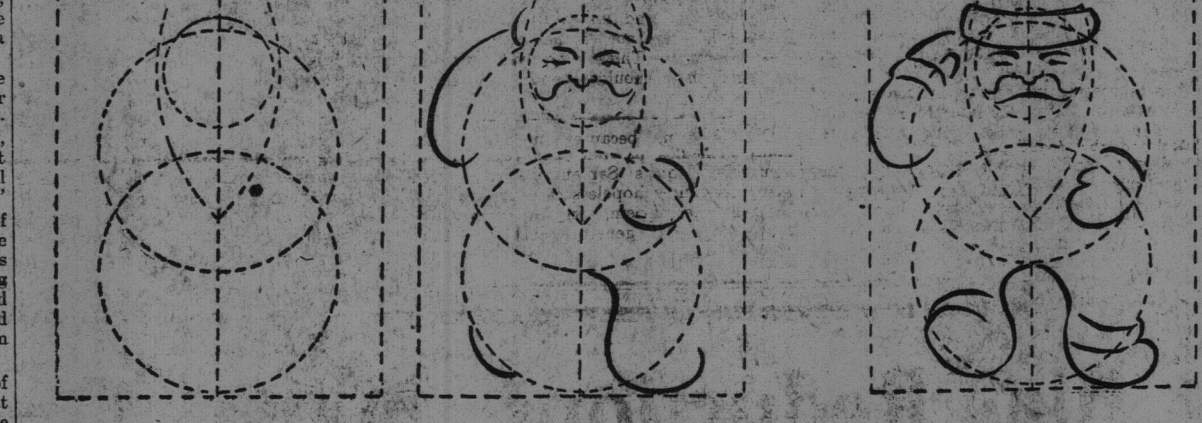
Teacher was asking the little ones of the "B" class what they very much wished to get on Christmas. In turn the question was asked of Teddy, a bright-faced red-haired little Irishman, 8 years old.

"Now, Teddy, tell us what you wish to get on Christmas?" said Teacher.

"Teddy squirmed about for a moment, then repeated the question: 'What would I like to get?'

"Yes, what would you like to get?" "Sure, an' I'd look to get even with Pat Ryan for smashin' me nose," replied Teddy.

Helpful Hints for Young Artists—Lesson No. 39, How to Draw Santa Claus.



PAULIE VISITS THE REALM OF SANTA. By Helena Davis.

"Well, I'll just throw the toys away and play with my old ones."

"Oh, that's a naughty threat, dear," explained Paulie's mother. "You must take whatever gifts the good Santa Claus sees fit to bring you, and be grateful for them."

Then the doorknob rang, and Paulie's mamma had to go to the parlor to receive a caller. Paulie went into the library, where it was nice and warm, and sitting in a big cushioned chair in front of the open grate, she began to soliloquize: "But why should I be grateful to Santa Claus if he brings me toys I do not want? Why shouldn't I throw them away if they

"Yes, sir, we dine at 6 o'clock," answered Paulie. "And I should just love to get Santa Claus a visit, for I was just getting ready to write him a letter when you came into the room. But where did you enter? The door did not open into this room."

"Ah, my entrance doesn't matter at all, little maid," laughed the funny little old man. "And now if you'll come with me, I'll make a flying trip to the realm of Santa Claus. He is expecting you."

"Oh, is he?" And Paulie sprang off the big chair and said she'd run and get her wraps and be ready to start in a minute.

And felt she was being much honored. "But why does Santa Claus send for me?" she asked. "I am only a little girl, and don't know him personally."

"I think Santa has a lesson to teach you," was all the little old man would reply. Then he turned his attention to the reindeer and said not a single word more till an hour later, when they arrived at a great ice-glistening gate, which opened upon their approach, admitting them to the most beautiful grounds.

"To Paulie's astonishment she was met by Santa Claus himself, and assisted by him to alight. Then he led her to the



"And now, if you'll come with me, we'll make a flying trip to the realm of Santa Claus."

"No, need of wraps, my little maid," said the funny little old man. "My sleigh is lined inside and out with warm bear skins, and fur robes are there to wrap about you. So come along without delay or else you'll be home late for dinner."

Then a very strange thing happened. The funny little old man touched the window pane and it opened noiselessly, allowing space for Paulie and himself to pass out through. Once out of doors Paulie was helped into a big, cozy sleigh all lined with skins and fur robes. Paulie was soon snugly settled among the warm furs, and the reindeer were off through the air like the very wind, the little old man laughing and crying out to them to fly as they were wont to do with their master. The turning to Paulie he said: "You are riding behind Santa's reindeer, and sitting inside his sleigh. Of course, Paulie was delighted at this,

Too Bad



Tommy (for the fiftieth time)—Say, maw, wot's you going ter gimme dis Christmas?
His Maw—A licking, if you keep on botherin' me.

Our Puzzle Corner

HIDDEN NAME PUZZLE.
By taking the initial letter of a one-syllable word from each of the following sentences, and writing them in the order in which they come, the name of a great poet will be spelled:
Obtain the worth of your money when you buy.
Turn over a new leaf on New Year.
Money alone does not make a man rich.
Always try to look on the bright side.
It is well to investigate all new thoughts.

LETTER ENIGMA.
My first is in tack, but not in nail;
My second is in boat, but not in sail;
My third is in yeast, but not in bread;
My fourth is in simple, but not in lead.
My whole spells a name.
That all children love;
And you'll know what it is
When you solve the above.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE CORNERS.
Letter Enigma—Santa Claus.
Hidden Proverb—It is better to give than to receive.
Behadings—(1) Strain-train. (2) Crook-rook. (3) Donkey-key.
Cuttings—(1) Tomato-Tom. (2) Counter-count. (3) Crowbar-crow.



"No, need of wraps, my little maid," said the funny little old man. "My sleigh is lined inside and out with warm bear skins, and fur robes are there to wrap about you. So come along without delay or else you'll be home late for dinner."

Then a very strange thing happened. The funny little old man touched the window pane and it opened noiselessly, allowing space for Paulie and himself to pass out through. Once out of doors Paulie was helped into a big, cozy sleigh all lined with skins and fur robes. Paulie was soon snugly settled among the warm furs, and the reindeer were off through the air like the very wind, the little old man laughing and crying out to them to fly as they were wont to do with their master. The turning to Paulie he said: "You are riding behind Santa's reindeer, and sitting inside his sleigh. Of course, Paulie was delighted at this,

NELSON READY TO CLOSE WITH WOLGAST FOR TITLE MATCH

Latter Must put up Deposit—Trouble When Sullivan And Opponent Did Not Enter Ring—Bowling, Athletic and General Sporting News

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Batting Nelson stands ready to close with Ad Wolgast, for a fight in America as soon as the Milwaukee Youngster posts a forfeit to bind the match. This statement was made by the champion today after reading a despatch from Los Angeles that Wolgast was begging for a chance to land the title.

The fight schedule for Tuesday night at Old City Hall, Pittsburgh, between Mike "Kid" Sullivan of Boston and Jack Carrag of Pittsburgh did not take place. It is stated there were several good fights between those who had paid their money to see a fight and the police. The crowd was so large that the management announced that it could not afford to pay the guarantee and they would not fight for less, so the announcement was made that the fight was off.

There were several hundred persons in the hall at this time and a rush was made for the box office. Some few got their money back, but the majority did not. It is stated that the management announced that it could not refund the rest of the tickets until after the banks opened on Wednesday some of the victims became very unmanageable and free-for-all fights were in order. Additional police were rushed to the hall and the riot quelled.

There was a large gathering present of about four hundred, including a large number of the sporting fraternity from Boston and Sydney. Foley and McInnis gave an excellent exhibition. Both were hard hitters. Many of the spectators in giving their opinion, stated that Foley was greatly outclassed, and that Foley was the better man in every way.

Young Erne wins again. His newest opponent was Willie Lucas, and like the others who have faced "Y. Y.", he was obliged to take a severe beating. He was up at the Douglas A. C., Philadelphia, Tuesday night. The bout went the six-round limit, but it was not Lucas' fault as Erne all but had the Fairmounter knocked out in the third session. The bell was all that saved Lucas.

Lucas had the opportunity of a lifetime to make a good showing against Erne. The latter was in poor condition. He appeared over weight. Since his best close fight with Young Nichols he has done little good work. Lucas wanted a long time to get a chance with Erne, but he failed to show anything. Only one round of the entire fight belonged to Lucas and that was the second. Erne made Lucas show his entire strength at the start and at the beginning of the third the Fairmounter boy had little left in reserve.

Jack O'Brien and Al Kaufman are matched to box six rounds at a special show at the National A. C., Philadelphia in January. Philadelphia rules will govern and Jack McInnis will referee. Harry Edwards made the match for the club. This will give Kaufman a chance to redeem himself for the scoundrelous beating he gave to him by O'Brien when the big blacksmith first broke into the professional fighting ring.

Sailor Burke, the Brooklyn middleweight, returned to the ring on Monday after a long lay-off and knocked out the big Brown of Pittsfield in Daubigny, Conn., in the first round of a scheduled six-round affair. While emerging from a right-hander to the body of Brown with a right-hander to the jaw and the latter went down for the count.

The New York police still persist in preventing Tom O'Rourke from holding any boxing bouts at his National Sporting Club at Sully's Harlem River Casino. On Monday night, during the second round of the first preliminary, Captain Walsh and Inspector Hussey with a crowd of enterprising agents entered the arena and arrested the principals. Al King and "Red" Lyons, and also took O'Rourke into custody. They were released under bail of \$500. O'Rourke claims that no tickets were sold and that the police got into the clubrooms under the pretense that they were investigating to see if Sully's Casino had an excise license.

Johnny Glover has returned to Boston from Quebec, where he boxed a ten-round draw with Nap Dufresne. Glover is anxious to meet anybody in his class in New England.

The mention of Kid McCoy and Jim Corbett as probable opponents recalls their bout in New York. That affair settled the matter in New York, for it remained in the aspect of the Boston law.

Phil Brock, who is to meet Harry Fiet at New Orleans, wants to get a crack at Dave Debuter at 133 or 135 pounds.

Young Donahue, the Roxbury lightweight, and Young Loughery of Philadelphia are to meet at the Army & A. C. Boston, just Tuesday, in a twelve-round contest.

"Pat" Higgins, one of the greatest Australian Rugby experts, has invited Walter Camp and other members of the interested league to come to New York for a month to evolve a new game of football, combining to good advantage the American Rugby, Soccer and Australian games. Camp has declined because of engagements.

The ten-round boxing bout between Tom Foley, of Halifax, and Joe McInnis, of Glouce Bay, N. S., resulted in a draw at the latter place on Monday. There was a large gathering present of about four hundred, including a large number of the sporting fraternity from Boston and Sydney. Foley and McInnis gave an excellent exhibition. Both were hard hitters. Many of the spectators in giving their opinion, stated that Foley was greatly outclassed, and that Foley was the better man in every way.

WHAT CAUSES THE BLUES

London, Eng.—Doctors have discovered that the "blues" or "mental depression and irritability" is really a disease caused by defective circulation in the cells of the brain.

The "British Health Review" says "by improving the circulation, there is an immediate improvement in the patient's outlook."

If this is the case, we Canadians doubt have to wait for the foreign scientist to make their investigations any farther. We have the cure for the "blues" in the wonderful fruit-juice called "Fruitee."

It is doubtful if the great physicians abroad will ever discover anything to equal "Fruitee's" effect. It purifies the blood and improves the circulation. They go straight to the root of the trouble, stimulating the blood flow and kidneys and rectifying the bowels. Thus they cleanse the whole system and renew vitality, mental as well as physical.

They will not alter the standing of the "blues" as a mental ailment, but they will alter the standing of the "blues" as a disease. At dealers, or from Fruitee's Limited, Ottawa, Ont.

game between the Times and Sun, which will not alter the standing of either team in the league. The Star men, though beaten yesterday, take second place in the league and in this they are particularly fortunate, as both the Standard and Times teams have shown greater strength. The averages of the Star and Standard teams for the entire season are as follows:

Table with columns: Player Name, Total, Average. Includes names like Markel, O'Leary, O'Connor, Hazen, Smith, Robb, McEwen, McDade, McKinnon.

There was a double header played in the Inter-County League, on St. Nicholas rink on Monday night. While only three games were contested, still was enough to lure a large crowd to the artificial ice. The trial heats, semi-final contests and deciding heats were all fast and the competition was close.

The one-mile handicap proved the best race of the evening. Six speed mercantiles earned the right to participate in the final heat. William T. Steil, of Hoboken, won with a handicap of sixty yards, won the event in a hat-line finish from William S. Taylor of the New York A. C., who started from the sixty-five-yard mark. M. Loevi, skating unattached, was third. The time was 3:17.45.

Walter Kuehne, of the Nonpareil Rowing Club, with a handicap of twenty yards, won the half-mile handicap. Class B race, Thomas Rice, St. Nicholas Skating Club, thirty yards, was second, with A. Merlo, Riverside, A. C., thirty yards, a close third. The time was 1:33.15.

Knights of Columbus. Murphy ... 87 75 87 230 83% O'Neil ... 84 88 84 229 78% Colbran ... 81 92 78 281 83% Mullin ... 80 87 85 262 87%

The second game was between the C. M. B. A., the leaders of the league, and the Holy Trinity team, who are holding second place in the league. The game was victorious, taking three points. This game created considerable interest on account of the fact that last year's champion team would they would have been in first position. The scores made were as follows:

Table with columns: Player Name, Total, Average. Includes names like Nugent, Fitzpatrick, Dever, Magee, Cosgrave.

An interesting bowling match between the Opera House stage hands and house staff was played in the Victoria Bowling Academy last evening and won by the stage hands with a score of 848 to 830. The scores of the individual players were as follows:

Stage hands—C. Stackhouse, 241; J. McGuigan, 196; total, 437. House staff—Wm. G. Egan, 259; E. Noble, 227; W. Harding, 205; F. Sweeney, 193; total, 885.

New York, Dec. 23.—Wearing the emblem of the Mohagan A. C., Hans Holmer, the Canadian Marathoner, captured the weekly cross-country run of the Mohagan A. C. over the club's 3.1-mile course Monday and established a new record. The course is laid out on the roof of the building of the Mohagan A. C., which is a quarter of a mile in front of DeVin of the Matt Haven A. C., who led the rest of the pack in 28 minutes 27 seconds. Holmer ran the distance in 27 minutes 47 seconds. G. Dietrich, of Laughlin Lyceum, was third.

MOTHER OF BIJOU FERNANDEZ DEAD Mrs. E. L. Fernandez (the first woman theatrical agent in the United States and who has for many years been proprietor of an agency in New York, is dead. She had been ill several weeks.

In her position as the first woman theatrical agent Mrs. Fernandez was known to nearly all members of the theatrical profession throughout the country. Her personality shone brightly, and she, through necessity, she started as an agent, beginning first in preparing children for juvenile parts. But she was a person who was greatly respected, and she built up a large clientele, being especially successful in helping young women who were anxious to go on the stage, if she was convinced that they had the necessary talent. New York managers always respected her recommendations.

Her daughter, Bijou Fernandez, is well known among the younger actresses of the day. She went upon the stage when she was a mere child, and was largely identified with New York productions, although she had appeared in Boston, one of the first times being at the old House up in "Romance of a Poor Young Man." She was recently married to W. L. Abington, the English actor.

Optmeal should be cooked four hours at least, longer if possible.

LOW WATER MARK IN MAINE SHIPBUILDING

Vessels Launched This Year Have Total Only 8,907 Tons

This Not Enough to Offset Losses By Wreck, Fire and Decay—Big Six-Master the Feature of the Year

Bangor, Dec. 23.—Low water mark in Maine shipbuilding has been reached this year, the net tonnage of vessels launched, which is not enough to offset the losses by wreck, fire and decay. Only nine vessels, more than 100 tons register were launched, and the only other good-sized vessel of any class was a rail-road transfer.

This gives a total net tonnage of 8,907, compared with 14,001 in 1908; 15,333 in 1907; 10,915 in 1906; 12,771 in 1905; and 41,972 in 1904.

The feature of the year was the launching, at Bath, of the six-masted schooner Wyoming on Dec. 15, of 379 gross tons, and about 288 net tons, in gross measurement the largest schooner afloat, being 22 tons larger than the steel six-masted William Douglas, and is said to be the largest wooden sailing vessel in the world, her gross measurement exceeding that of the Edward J. Lawrence by 480 tons and that of the Eleanor A. Percy, by 320 tons. Of the dozen districts in the state, only six turned out any new tonnage, and in two of these the tonnage is of trifling amount.

New vessels are building or under construction at Bath, schooner and under construction in the yards of James W. Hawley, and the Kelley-Spear Company, and at Philadelphia, in Elizabeth Wheeler and Harry Anthony. Bowler & Son will build a schooner, in the Waldoboro district, at Rockland, J. L. Snow & Co. are building the small three-masted schooner and at Milbridge the Sawyer Brothers will build a 400-ton three-masted.

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TEN WOMEN IN BOSTON COURT AS SHOPLIFTERS

Boston, Dec. 22.—Yesterday night will have been called shop-lifters' day in the municipal court, for almost the entire time in the second session was taken up with the cases, and the fines made a total of \$245. Women detectives from nearly all the large department stores in the city were in the court room to testify against the ten women accused of taking a long list of goods ranging from stockings to ribbon. They pleaded guilty.

Miss Petruschka Puchavich of Lynn was charged with stealing hair nets, handkerchiefs, safety-pins, toy lanterns and a roll of tinsel from several stores. She was arrested last evening, and, as she could not furnish bail, was locked up. The judge imposed a fine of \$15.

Mary Kelly of Irving street was fined the same amount for taking small articles of lingerie. Florence Stuart of Bay State avenue, Somerville, and Mary Carroll of Hancock street, Somerville, were fined \$35 each for stealing stockings, lingerie and cardinals. Miss Katherine Willard of Carver street was fined \$15 for taking a handbag and some lingerie.

Two men were accused of stealing from stores and their cases were continued. They are John Cronin and Edward Wilson. They were held in \$500 bail.

TO ABOLISH THE TREATING SYSTEM

In a sermon to an immense audience in Notre-Dame de Grace Church, Hull, Rev. Father Pelletier, announced that he was about to form a temperance society in Hull, which, he hoped would do away entirely with the treating system. He appealed to all young men and boys to join. He said that he did not wish to try and abolish hotels, and that he did not see any very great harm in a man taking a drink, alone, if he wished, but that if the treating system were put down, drunkenness and crime arising out of it would be considerably lessened.

SIENOGRAPHERS TO ENGAGE IN CONTEST

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 23.—Lottie L. Smith of Spokane, has accepted the challenge of H. B. Press of Seattle, graphophone transcriber in the Alaska coal inquiry here, to a contest of typewriting for speed and accuracy. She would limit the competition to 125 pages of copy from direct dictation at an average speed of seventy-five words a minute, accuracy to be the main point. The match will take place in Spokane or Chicago early in January if Press accepts the new conditions.

His original challenge was for a Marathon contest at a speed of not less than fifty words a minute, to continue until one of the typists gives up. One of Miss Smith's feats was to make the entire transcript of the deliberations of the seventh National Irrigation Congress in Spokane August 9 to 14, delivering the copy ten hours after the final session.

During the entertainment in the Seaman's Mission last night, the Pierrot Troupe of the Allan Ina Tunison, L. H. Williams, the conductor, took occasion to speak of the good work being done by the mission and said that this was appreciated by the seamen.

Newspapers many times folded will serve as a mat to stand hot and blackened pots or kettles on and thus save soiling the kitchen table.

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Everybody is Delighted with The Gifts shown at these stores... Many Lines Greatly Reduced in Price for the Christmas Selling...

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Ladies' Kid Gloves, Ladies' Fancy Collars, Belts, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Frillings, Umbrellas, Blouse Waists (a new arrival just added to the stock) in Silk, Lace, Net, Linen and Lawn.

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CIRCULATION table showing average daily circulation of the Times for the last eleven months: January 6,716, February 6,978, March 7,165, April 7,189, May 7,003, June 7,029, July 7,028, August 7,022, September 7,029, October 7,018, November 7,063.

THIS EVENING Santa Claus, moving pictures, Master Charles Packer and other features at the Nickel. Motion pictures and illustrated songs at the Star, north end.

LOCAL NEWS

A rule found in Mill street and prayer beads found in Charlotte street may be had by the owner calling at Central police station. Furness line steamship Kanawha, now on her way to London from this port, took away a cargo valued at \$85,216.

PARTHENIA IN FROM GLASGOW

Donaldson line steamship Parthenia, Captain Stitt, arrived this morning from Glasgow with a general cargo and seven passengers. The steamer had a very good passage, but the last two days it was stormy off the Nova Scotia coast.

LIQUOR, JUST FROM ST. JOHN, SIEZED IN FREDERICTON

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 23.—(Special)—Last evening the police arrested a man named Campbell, better known as Tom Longboat, and found a quantity of liquor which had just been received by express from St. John.

I. G. R. SPECIAL HOLIDAY SUBURBAN TRAINS ANNOUNCED

It has been decided by the Intercolonial Railway to run a special passenger train between Hampton Station and St. John for the accommodation of suburban patrons on the twenty-second, twenty-third, and twenty-fourth and thirty-first December.

ST. PETER'S TO HAVE A RE-UNION SUNDAY

The annual re-union of the St. Peter's Y. M. A. will be held in their rooms, Douglas avenue, next Sunday afternoon. A number of fine musical and literary selections have been prepared; the society orchestra will provide music and a good time should be enjoyed.

MRS. DAVID MCINTYRE OF NORTH END DEAD

A well known resident of North End died this morning in the person of Mrs. David McIntyre, who passed away suddenly at her home, 88 Millidgeville avenue. Mrs. McIntyre, who was fifty-eight years of age, had been in ill health for some time, but her death was unexpected.

SAYS THE STOLEN XMAS TREES DID NOT GO FAR

Countryman Selling on King Square Makes Charges Against Competitors

The feeling existing among the dealers Christmas trees in King Square at present is in most cases, none too friendly, more especially between those men who bring their wares from their homes in the country and those who belong in the city, but who journey to the woods and come back to town with loads of the trees, offering them for sale alongside of the stands taken by the countrymen in the square.

CORSICAN IS BRINGING 572

Allan Liner Coming Under C.P.R. Charter - Sardinian Arrives at Halifax

The Allan liner Corsican due at Halifax from Liverpool on Friday morning has 35 saloon, 106 second cabin and 431 steerage passengers. As the Corsican is under charter to the C. P. R., the passengers will be brought around to St. John.

FORESTALLING IS STILL GOING ON

Daily Breach of City Bye-Laws in Market - Turkeys and Prices This morning complaints were again heard about the "forestalling" which is taking place in the country market, and which citizens claim should be done away with, as it is contrary to the city by-laws.

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THINGS MEN LIKE TO GET

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- Fancy Cloth Vests, \$2.50 to \$5.00. Winter Knitted Vests, \$2.50 to \$4.75. Smoking Jackets, \$4.50 to \$16.50. Dressing Gowns, \$5.00 to \$18.50. New Bath Robes, \$4.00 to \$6.00. Marmot Lined Coat, German Outer Coat, \$68.50. Marmot Lined Coat, Persian Lamb Collar, \$60.00. Muskat Lined Coats, \$70.00 to \$90.00. Big Comfortable Coon Coats, \$50.00 to \$75.00. Men's Suits and Overcoats, \$5.00 to \$30.00. Waterproof Coats, \$5.00 to \$20.00. Firemen's Rubber Coats, \$3.25 to \$7.50.

Greater Oak Hall, King St., Cor. Germain.

Christmas Gifts For Little Ones Baby Walkers, Folding Play Yards, Dolls' Go-Carts, Boys' Wheelbarrows, Baby's Holding Bath Tub, Child's Swings, Children's High Chairs, Kindergarten Chairs, Girl's Framers, Junior Racers, Doll's Brass Beds, Children's Rockers, Children's Morris Chairs, Doll's White Enamel Beds, Children's High Chairs, all have tray in front. Boys' Express Wagons, very strong and nicely finished. Children's "Shoo Fly" Rocking Horses. Flexible Flyers, nicest sled made for boy or girl. Kindergarten Tables. Dolls' Carriages - English pattern, with leather hood. Dolls' Carriages with hoods. Some with rubber tire wheels. Dolls' Chiffoniers. Dolls' Tables. Children's Revolving Chairs, to suit small desks. Boys' Sleds and "Pistickers." Children's Combination High Chair and Cradle. Children's Rocking Chairs, in hardwood and rattan. Children's Tables, both stationary and folding. Kindergarten Chairs, to match Tables. Children's Desks, Blackboard inside. Children's Secretaries, with drop front. Children's Swinging Horses. Baby's Sleighs, \$8.25.

Furniture Presents for Grown-Ups

- Brass Beds. Oak Hall Glasses. Costumers or Pole Racks. Handsome Hall Chairs. Regulation Card-Tables. Wall Medicine Cabinets. Exquisite China Closets. Luxurious Buffets. Massive Buffets. Massive Sideboards. Extension Tables. Dining Room Chairs. Rockers for all the Rooms. Wicker Tables. Wicker Chairs. Chiffoniers in Birch and Elm. Prairie Grass Arm and Rocker Chairs. Parlor Suites. Patent Morris Chairs. Odd Parlor Chairs. Odd Divans and Sofas. Over Mantel Mirrors. Gilt Parlor Chairs. Genuine Imported French Parlor Cabinets. Library Tables, Secretaries. Secretary Book Cases. Low Sewing or Nursing Rockers. One Photograph Cabinet and Stand. Willow Rockers. Willow Stationary Chairs. Lounges. Couches. Willow Easy Chairs. Quartered Oak Dressing Tables. Mahogany Dressing Tables. Oaken Chiffoniers. Parlor Tables in solid Mahogany. Music Cabinets. Tabourettes. Wall Paper Racks. Parlor Tables in Oak and Imitation Mahogany. Prairie Grass Reception Chairs. Sewing Machines. "Globe Wernicke" Book Cases.

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