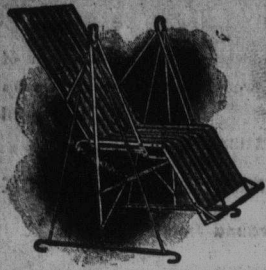


Comfort Chairs.



The Comfort Reclining Swing Chair is a great success. We have just received another shipment and can now fill orders promptly. Anyone who has used them will recommend them highly. They work automatically. You can sit up or recline at full length, just as you wish.

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THE NEWEST PATTERNS IN
NOTTINGHAM,
POINT ARABE,
APPLIQUE,
and IRISH POINT,
FOR SEASON 1902.

A. O. SKINNER.

ENTERPRISING AMHERST.

The maritime winter fair will be held at Amherst on the 16th, 17th and 18th December next.

In recognition of the enterprise displayed by the citizens of Amherst, the Maritime Stock Breeders' Association has entered into a contract to hold the winter fair annually at that town for the next ten years.

The town of Amherst has commenced the erection of a building which will house the whole of the live stock exhibits, and provide seating accommodation for 2,000 people, where the judging will take place, and the ring lectures be delivered. This building will cost \$10,000.

The educational features of last year will be accentuated, and, with the improved facilities afforded by the new building, should attract to Amherst, all interested in the live stock development of the country.

10th July, 1902.

HIS FIRST WISH OF THREE.

"Now," said the good fairy, "I am going to grant you three wishes."

"Anything I mention I can have?" said the boy, who had been reared in a modern business atmosphere.

"Anything."

"Well, to start with, I'd like to have you guarantee several scores to each wish."

Washington Star.

WEDDING BELLS.

(Trentham, Mo., News.)

Married—Miss Sylvia Rhoades to James Carnahan last Saturday afternoon. The bride is an ordinary town girl who doesn't know any more than a rabbit about cooking and never helped her poor mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means and has a gait like a fat duck. The groom is well known here as an up-to-date loafer, and has been living off the old folks all his life and don't amount to anything now. They will have a hard life while they live together, and the News hastens to extend absolutely no congratulations, for we don't believe any good can come from such a union.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Mother—"Oh, Mildred! You naughty little girl! You know you oughtn't to slap Elsie's face!"

Mildred—"Where ought I to slap her then, mummy?"

A SCHOOL JOKE.

"I hope they don't give my little boy any naughty nicknames in school?"

"Yes, ma, they call me Corn."

"How dreadful! And why do they call you that?"

"Cause I'm always at the foot of the class."

If you read this advertisement, others will read yours in the St. John STAR. Ask for the advertising man.

FINE TAILORING.

This is the time when new stylish clothing is necessary. The cool backward weather has kept many from ordering earlier. We are showing many nice lines of imported and domestic cloths, from which we are making SUITS TO ORDER AT READY-TO-WEAR PRICES. Call and see our range of cloths and special low prices.

SUITS TO ORDER, from - \$10.00 to 23.00.
PANTS TO ORDER, from - \$3.00 to 6.00.

Special Sale of Suits and Pants, ready-to-wear, still continues—they are going fast.

J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothier,
199 Union Street, St. John.

MINING HORROR.

Eighty-Seven Bodies Recovered—
Rescue Party at Work.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 10.—An explosion occurred in the rolling mill coal mine of the Cambria Steel Co., at noon today, by which scores of miners lost their lives. The cause of the explosion is thought to have been redamp. When the news of the explosion reached the surface several of the mine officials attempted to enter the mine, but were prevented by deadly gases. The scene of the accident, known as the Klondike, is two miles from the surface.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 11.—Eighty-seven bodies have been recovered from the Cambria mines up to five o'clock this morning, while the heroic work of the rescuers had not penetrated nearly to the seat of the disaster. Bodies lie piled in confusion aboard cars ready to be brought into the city. Latest estimates place the number of dead at about 200. A temporary morgue has been improvised in the Johnstown armory, to which all bodies will be taken.

A score of men are waiting to prepare the horribly mutilated remains of the victims. All the Johnstown undertakers have been pressed into service. The explosion horribly mangled its victims. Heads are missing from many of the bodies, while all are burned and blackened almost beyond recognition. Grief-stricken crowds still linger about the mine entries. Sleep has visited none of them. No attempt at identification was made at the mine. That many of the men who were thought last night to be still in the mine will be able to survive until reached by the rescuing party is not thought probable. Immediately succeeding the explosion the air all over the big mine became so foul that even with the huge pumps working to their full capacity and the air supplied turned in to the proper channels, to reach the imprisoned men, none of the mine officials would hold out any hope for the lives of those thought to be still in the mine.

Measures for relief of the stricken families have already been taken. A fund started last evening by the Johnstown Democrat at midnight amounted to two hundred dollars. W. A. Crist, general manager of the Barwin White Co., contributed one hundred and ten dollars. Those known to be dead include: Mike McCann, a loader, married and lived in Prospect; Philip McCann, a loader, married and lived in Cambria City; William Branche, a labor boss, married and lived in Prospect; Joe Thompson, single, a fire boss, who came recently from Pittsburgh; William Robinson, machine boss.

As near as can be learned there was not one dozen Americans killed, the rest being Hungarians and Slovaks. These foreigners lived in different sections of the town, and it is difficult to tell how many were actually missing.

The first official statement of the disaster was given to the press by General Mine Superintendent Geo. T. Robinson at 5 o'clock this morning. He said:

"As to the direct cause of the explosion I cannot exactly say. We know there was an explosion of fire-damp in the sixth right heading, a section of the mine commonly known as the Klondike. So far as I can find out there were not more than three or four deaths from the explosion. The deaths were caused by the after-damp. Fire Boss John Rettick, Machine Boss Wm. Robinson, who is my brother, and a Slav were back eating lunch when the explosion occurred. They immediately went down to the point of the explosion to put up the stoppings in order to carry the air in its proper channel again. These were blown down by the force of the explosion."

"They, with the exception of the assistant foreman and one of the fire bosses, were overcome by after-damp. They were found by a rescuing party, and the chances are that all will recover with the exception of my brother."

"As to the rescue work, I directed it to commence just as soon after the explosion as possible. We started in at one o'clock p. m. We started working our way down by putting up brattices in order to carry air in with us. I suppose it was ten o'clock at night before we came across the bodies of the living. Drs. Bowman and Hannan went down with us. They carried tanks of oxygen with them which were emptied with good effect on the living."

REMNANTS OF ALL-WOOL
SERGES, suitable for children's
dresses and skirts, on sale Saturday morning at DYKEMAN'S.

A RELIGIOUS QUARREL.

Catholic Church Refuses to Recognize a Civil Marriage With a Divorced Woman.

ROME, July 11.—The attitude of Cardinal Respighi, Vicar General of the pope, in the Respighi incident, has further embittered the controversy and widened the breach between Prince Joseph Respighi and the authorities of the church. In an ironical reply to Cardinal Respighi's letter, saying he must uphold Cardinal Macchi, secretary of Apostolic Briefs (in forbidding an English Blue sister to attend Princess Joseph Respighi's formerly Mrs. Marie Jennings Reid Parkhurst, of Washington, D. C., during her confinement because her marriage to the prince was a civil ceremony) Prince Respighi says he has turned to the Evangelical church for the assistance refused by the Catholics, meaning that the new English nurse sent from England belongs to the Church of England.

OA'H OF ALLEGIANCE.

Some of the Boers in Bloemfontein Refuse to Sign It.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Orange River Colony, July 11.—Difficulty has arisen regarding the oath of allegiance. Many of the Boer commandants, field cornets and officials of the late Free State government refuse to sign the oath, though few of them object to signing the document called "the declaration," acknowledging King Edward as their sovereign. The oath of allegiance, however, is much more binding.

THE KING.

LONDON, July 11.—At Buckingham Palace the following bulletin was posted at ten o'clock this morning:—
The king continues to sleep well and to improve in every respect.

(Signed), TREVES, LAKING, BARLOW.

There will be a GREAT REMNANT SALE OF DRESS GOODS at F. A. DYKEMAN'S store on Saturday morning. This sale will last until the Remnants are all sold. The goods are marked at about half price.

PROPOSED I. C. R. CHANGES.

To Get Rid of the Grades at Folly and Canso.

(Sydney Post.)
The reporter learned that among the matters now under consideration of the government is a change in the location of some parts of the I. C. R. between the Strait of Canso and Amherst. In his interview with the Post yesterday Minister Blair said that in order to handle the large freight traffic in Nova Scotia and particularly that which would result if a fast Atlantic service were established, it would be necessary to remove the heavy grades in the road, as for instance those at the Strait and at Folly.

The proposal is to change the location of the road to connect with the Cape Bridge at Cape Porcupine, then run along the gulf coast to Harbor au Bouche, to Antigonish, thence to Pictou, passing to the south of New Glasgow at a slight distance. From Pictou, the proposed road will be continued over the Shore Line to Pugwash, from which place a link will be built connecting that town with Amherst.

The change will rid the road of the heavy grades at Folly and at the Strait, and, while it will involve a heavy expenditure, the department feels that it must be undertaken in order to handle the Cape Breton freight traffic economically and expeditiously.

WESTERN EDITION OF THE CANADA LUMBERMAN.

Sixty-four pages are contained in the July number of the Canada Lumberman, which is designated a Western Edition. The contents are of special interest to the lumber trade of Western Canada. In addition to descriptions and illustrations of many of the leading saw and shingle mills of the west, there appear nearly one hundred portraits of members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association, the headquarters of which are at Winnipeg; also several articles bearing upon the conduct of a retail lumber yard. The C. H. Mortimer Company of Toronto are the publishers.

ANARCHY FEARED BY LEE.

General Fitzhugh Lee, former consul general at Havana, declares that unless the republican party agrees to carry out the reciprocity policy of President Roosevelt with regard to Cuba anarchy will take the place of order, followed by interference by the United States and annexation.

"Unless relief is afforded," said General Lee, "the worst results may be anticipated. Idleness, accompanied by extreme poverty, already exists, and this can only lead, in the present unsettled state of the government, to disorder developing into anarchy, and the entire failure of the experiment which the United States has made in the establishment of the Cuban republic."

SETTLERS FOR ONTARIO.

TORONTO, July 9.—The representative of a number of families in France has written Mr. Thomas Southworth, director of colonization, about the prospects in New Ontario. They want to immigrate in a body, and it is likely they will form a colony near Chapeau. Mr. Southworth's mail today brought inquiries from two points in Sweden, from South Africa, from Singapore, from Austin, Texas, and a large number of other points in the United States, including one from a gentleman in Franklin, Pa., who says he and a lot of his friends want to come to Ontario.

DEATH FROM A PIMPLE.

BROCKVILLE, July 9.—Thomas E. Warren, a highly esteemed merchant of North Augusta, died yesterday from blood poisoning which he contracted from a pimple on the face.

THE ENEMY'S RUN.

Tommy—"Did you do much fighting during the war, pa?"
Pa—"I did my share of it, Tommy."
Tommy—"Did you make the enemy run?"
Pa—"You're right I did, Tommy."
Tommy—"Did they catch you?"

A DISGRACEFUL AFFAIR.

Mr. Goodman—I understand you were at that prize fight last night. I'm surprised to hear of you attending such a disgraceful affair.

Sportboy—It was disgraceful, sure enough. Why, neither one of those big bubs could hit hard enough to dent butter.

TRACY THE OUTLAW.

Exchanges Shots With His Pursuers—
The Bloodhounds Are Out.

AUBURN, Washington, July 11.—Sheriff Cuddehe received word early today that the members of the posse exchanged shots with Outlaw Tracy, a few miles west of Covington last night. The despatch states that the convict was chased into the brush at a point west of Covington. An urgent request was made that hounds be sent to this point at once. Former Chief of Police Wolley and Deputy Sheriff Wollet have been added to the force, covering the region between here and River Bridge. The bloodhounds were sent toward Covington before day-break.

HENDERSON & POTTS.

Their Building Damaged By Fire This Morning.

(Special to the Star.)
MONTREAL, July 11.—A fierce fire early this morning caused damage to the amount of \$25,000 to the paint manufacturing plant of Henderson & Potts, Queen and Wellington streets. The adjoining buildings of the Empire Box Co. and Canadian Butterine Co. were saved by fire walls. The watchman of the latter building for Ernest Duford & Son had a narrow escape from suffocation by smoke. The fire apparently originated in the putty department. The cause is believed to have been spontaneous combustion. The loss is covered by insurance.

A BUILDING BOOM.

American Firms Getting Lots of Business in South Africa.

JOHANNESBURG, Transvaal, July 11.—The British trade commissioners who recently arrived here from England, admit that they are amazed at the amount of business in steel building material which is being offered and then comment on the indolence of the British firms. They say that so far as they are able to discover, only one firm, and that is an American concern, has a capable representative in South Africa, and he has been securing immense orders in Cape Town and at Johannesburg, at his own prices, for huge buildings up to fourteen stories by being able to quote prices promptly and promise construction at American speed.

THE CHICAGO STRIKE.

CHICAGO, July 11.—This morning an authorized statement was given to the Associated Press to the effect that the arbitration committee, which is trying to secure a settlement of the freight handlers strike, is awaiting word from the railroad managers who have been requested to meet with the executive committee of the freight handlers in the presence of an arbitration committee. The arbitration committee has every hope of a settlement today.

SHORT HOURS, GOOD WAGES.

BOSTON, Mass., July 11.—An agreement has been concluded between a committee representing the 2,500 building laborers of this city and the Master Builders' Association, which is expected to keep the peace in building trades at least for one year. Eight hours per day with 28 cents per hour are agreed upon.

A LONG DROUGHT.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., July 11.—The first rain storm since last October has occurred here. The downpour lasted nearly two hours. The ranchmen for the eastern ranges say that very heavy rains have visited them in the last few days, assuring plenty of water and grass for some time.

MAY CAUSE A STRIKE.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 11.—The United Mine Workers today voted against accepting the scale agreed upon by the joint committee of the miners and operators. Another effort will be made to modify the scale so as to make it acceptable for both sides. If a strike should result 15,000 men will be affected.

TOO MUCH FOR MORGAN.

LONDON, July 11.—There is no truth in the report published in the United States that J. Pierpont Morgan is planning a scheme for the unification of the Turkish debt.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Eastern states and northern New York: Fair tonight and probably slight temperature changes. Light north winds becoming variable.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., July 11.—Advices received from the island of St. Vincent say that three earthquake shocks were experienced there Tuesday within four hours.

THIS EVENING.

Route march of the 62nd Fusiliers at 8 p. m. to Market Square.
Peck's Bad Boy at the Opera House.
Trades and Labor Council at 8 p. m.
Meeting Central Committee I. O. F., at Chapman & Tilly's office at 8 p. m.
Special meeting School Trustees tonight.
Miss Eleanor Robinson's lecture tonight in St. John's Church school house upon Thomas Hardy.



Keep Cool

MEN'S
SUMMER
HATS.

Genuine Panama Hats, Straw Hats in all the newest shapes, Soft Felt Hats, Yachting and Out Caps of all kinds.

J. & A. ANDERSON.
19 Charlotte Street.

L. O. A.

THE ORANGE MEN OF ST. JOHN will celebrate the 12th July in conjunction with the brethren of Charlottetown, St. John's and York Counties, in the City of Fredericton. The steamer Victoria has been chartered and will leave for wharf, North End, at 7 p. m. Returning, leaves Fredericton at 6 p. m. THE C. C. BAND will accompany the excursion. Meals and refreshments supplied on the boat. The city members will march in procession to the boat, leaving Orange Hall, Gormain street, at 6.30 a. m. Tickets—Adults, \$1.00; children, 50 cents. For sale at the boat on morning of excursion. WM. STANLEY, Chairman. NEIL J. MORRISON, Sec'y to Com. 863

WILLIAM PETERS,

—DEALER IN—
LEATHER and HIDES,
Shoemakers' Findings, Plastering Hair, Tanners' and Carriers' Tools, Lamplack, etc.

266 Union Street.

CHAMPAGNES

Pommeroy, Mums'.

—FOR SALE LOW—

THOMAS L. BOURKE, 25 Water St.

Home Testimonials

are undoubtedly the best; we have many such showing the extraordinary merits of SHORT'S "DYSPEPTICURE," not only for the worst forms of Dyspepsia but for Headache, Biliousness and the many Stomach Troubles of children, etc. At all Druggists.

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

It will pay you to have your work done at DUNHAM'S Upholstering, Carpet Laying, Furniture Polishing and Packing, Repairing, etc. First Class work at moderate prices.

FRED H. DUNHAM,
408 Main Street, N. E.

LARGE FAT
NEWFOUNDLAND HERRING.
BARRELS ONLY.

JAMES PATTERSON,
19 and 20 South Market Wharf,
St. John's.

To the Electors

of St. John:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—
I beg leave to announce I will be a Candidate for the office of

ALDERMAN AT LARGE,
made vacant by the resignation of Ald. Seaton.
Yours respectfully,
W. C. RUDMAN ALLAN.

SAINTS WAIT IN VAIN.

Hired a House in Binghampton to Be Ready For the End of the World.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., July 9.—After waiting since Thursday for the second coming of Christ, and discussing the signs which convince them that the millennium is at hand, "the saints" gathered here from Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Columbus and Canada have adjourned.

The Saints are a sect separate from the Second Adventists, but who believe in the immediate coming of Christ. They rented a house in this city for four days and during that time held services and watched for manifestations of his appearance. The house has been an object of curiosity and large crowds were drawn to the services held in the front yard.

The Saints are not discouraged by the failure of the world to end last evening, but say that the gathering has been to them a most profitable season, demonstrating more fully their belief that the end of the world is at hand, and that, while no day or hour can be positively set, the great change is almost here. They have departed for their homes, but say that they will all meet again in a short time under different circumstances.

REIL'S HANGMAN DEAD.

GLASGOW, Mont., July 9.—John Henderson, who eighteen years ago was the official executioner for the Canadian government in the Northwest Territory and who hanged Louis Reil, the leader of the rebellion of 1885, is dead, as the result of an operation.

TO LET.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

TO LET—Flat No. 30 Main street (opposite Cedar street). Rent \$10.00. Also small flat rent. Apply to J. E. Cowan, 30 Main street.

TO LET—That valuable store and premises No. 39 Charlotte street, at present occupied by F. A. Dykeman & Co. Apply to E. T. C. KNOWLES, No. 3, Palmer's Chambers, City.

TO LET—Upper and lower flats, for small families. House, Harding street, Fairville; rent from 1st of May. Apply to STEWART NELSON, Harding street.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

Advertisements under this head inserted free of charge.

WANTED—By a young woman of a good family a situation as housekeeper—in widow preferred. Can give the best of references. Address A. B. C., Star office.

WANTED—Advertiser wants employment in wholesale store or as any permanent employment, not salesman. Accustomed to various kinds of work. Understands mixing paints. House, Harding street, Fairville. Sober and willing. Address LINDSAY, care Star Office.

HELP WANTED, MALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED—By the LAWTON CO. LTD., two bench hands, two carriage blacksmiths. Permanent situations to the right men. Apply at 76 Erie St., between 8 a. m. and 10 a. m., or at 31 Main street, between 12.30 p. m. and 14 p. m.

WANTED—Two coatmakers and a cloth dresser. Will pay highest wages. Apply at once to N. A. SHAW, 35 Gorman street.

GENERAL AGENTS WANTED in each town for special, accident, sickness, indemnification policies and general insurance business. Liberal terms to reliable men. Write box 276, Montreal.

HELP WANTED, FEMALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Apply at 49 Sydney street, opposite St. Malachy's Hall.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SEA VIEW HOUSE, Lorneville, St. John County. Permanent and transient board. Will be given excellent accommodation. House is near the beach and commands a view of the Bay of Fundy. Fine tennis, hammocks and swings. Terms reasonable. R. W. DEAN, Sea View P. O., St. John County.

Save money in the purchase of a SEWING MACHINE. Call at W. H. Bell's, 25 Dock Street. Best makes to select from. Tel. 1437.

FOR SALE.

Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

FOR SALE—Household furniture, in the rear of 56 St. Paul street, up stairs. Sale will commence this evening after 7 o'clock.

FOR SALE—A light carriage in good repair, single or double seat. Enquire of J. SULLIVAN, Victoria street, north end.

FOR SALE—Some good quality pressed hay, by ROBERT S. SUTHER, Dufrane Wharf, Charlotte Street Extension, Telephone 3.

LOST.

LOST—A Gold Watch and chain on Charlotte street, north side of King's Square, Old Burying Ground or Elliott Row. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at Daily Star Office.

IRISH DEBATES.

LONDON, July 10.—The vote on the Irish estimates in the house of commons today furnished the nationalists with an opportunity for a stirring attack on the British administration of Ireland and the "nefarious operations" of the Irish constabulary, which body of men John Dillon (nationalist) declared were maintained not to protect crime but to create it. Mr. Dillon specified instances where, he alleged, force was instrumental in obtaining the conviction and imprisonment of innocent persons, and charged the government with winking at these malpractices in order to obtain justification for its policy of coercion.

T. P. O'Connor (nationalist) declared that, politically speaking, the real criminal was the attorney general for Ireland, because he practised jury packing.

Sir Robert T. Reid, (liberal) said he considered the action of the Irish police to be dastardly, adding that it has been admitted that they were a discredit to the Irish executive.

This brought Attorney General Atkinson to his feet with a hot retort that Sir Robert, who now professed such lofty and noble sentiments, had remained for three years a member of the administration and had indulged in jury packing to an extent "unknown to the present government."

The chief secretary for Ireland, George Wyndham, admitted that there was much truth in what Mr. Dillon had said in regard to specific cases.

After further debate Mr. Dillon's motion to reduce the estimates was defeated by 195 to 103 votes.

DEATHS.

BERTON—On 11th inst. Susan, widow of the late William J. Berton, at 2 o'clock p. m. Cause of death, old age.

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ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., JULY 11, 1902.

SO VERY DEMOCRATIC.

Those who have been curious enough to take note of it may have observed that the American people have a fine scorn of that species of todayism which eagerly seizes upon the movements of titled personages and writes about them in the press. That a London paper should record the daily doings of royalty, for example, appears to these democratic persons extremely ridiculous.

This does not, however, prevent them from detailing with much minuteness the movements of President Roosevelt.

Here, for example, is the New York Sun, stalwart of the stalwarts in its contempt for the pomp of princes, devoting nearly a whole column to President Roosevelt's movements one day—or part of a day—at Oyster Bay. We see the president going out, arrayed in a gray riding suit and Panama hat. Had he been a king or emperor he might have worn a blue or green suit, or a billycock hat. We are also told the name of his horse—Bleistein—and are informed that Teddy, Jr., was with him, in the dress of a rough rider. We are told how the president playfully galloped away from the secret service men, and are permitted to enjoy his smile and their disconcerted expression when he came back safe, after having given them the slip for an hour. It is also noted that the old windmill on the estate has been painted, and this recalls a gash which Roosevelt received in his scalp one day, when he forgetfully intruded his cranium within the sphere of the moving wheel. The writer takes great pains to point out how "get-at-able" the president is, and how unlike he is to a czar in that respect. The fact is proved by the statement that when Montagu White desired to see the president the secret service men, after stopping him and asking what he wanted, permitted him to go right up to the house and keep his appointment with Roosevelt. He does not appear to have been either blindfolded or put in irons, but simply and fearlessly rode up to the house where the president was staying.

How much more delightfully interesting it is to read of the doings of a plain president than of the haughty ruler of a kingdom or an empire. 'Rah! for Teddy and Bleistein.

ST. JOHN MIGHT TRY IT.

A Portland, Me., alderman wants a probation officer in that town, and has asked that the board give the question careful consideration. The Press favors the plan and says:—

It occasionally happens that cases are brought before the courts which could be better treated by placing the accused persons on probation than imposing a fine or imprisonment. The special duty of the probation officer would be to discover cases where this form of treatment could be wisely applied, and be able to inform the court of the facts. One of the objects of our penal system is the reformation of the criminal, and in the case of first offenders, or very young persons, more good is likely to be accomplished by placing them on probation with the understanding that a repetition shall subject them to punishment, than by sending them to jail at once. Many of the Massachusetts cities have probation officers, and they have been the means of accomplishing much good.

KEEP THEM OUT.

Canada receives every month several hundreds of very undesirable citizens. They are the worthless or diseased wretches dumped on her shores by the steamers from Europe and refused admission to the United States. Not only do the Americans watch the people who land from the steamers at Canadian ports with the intention of going to the states, but all along the border they have vigilant agents to turn back the persons who are rejected by their immigration officials. Canada has no legislation covering the case, and cannot therefore deport these people. They simply remain in this country. More stringent regulations are needed, and should be provided at the next session of parliament. Canada is not in such urgent need of settlers that she can afford to become an asylum for the diseased who are rejected by another country which is her rival in every avenue of industry and commerce.

The war in Venezuela is nothing to the feud between the manager of the Telegraph and the editor of the Gleaner. These brethren do not dwell in unity of spirit. If they are really out for blood we shall see a very pretty fracas.

The report of the hospital commission calls for sweeping changes. No doubt action will be taken by the authorities.

THE HOSPITAL.

Report of the Royal Commission to the Government.

Radical Changes Recommended For the Improvement of the Institution.

The report of the royal commission appointed to investigate the St. John hospital was submitted to the government at Fredericton yesterday. The commissioners say a debt of gratitude is owed to Dr. Bayard for his work in establishing the hospital, and point out that if his views as to the amount to be assessed for its support had been acted on years ago the complaint of lack of funds would not have been heard of late. Referring to the complaints made against the hospital they say:—

"The complaints made by patients fall naturally into three divisions, viz., quality of food; absence of proper care by the internal staff; uncleanness of the institution."

Your commissioners find that these complaints have some foundation in fact—the evidence which is submitted herewith stating the details of the situation. The commissioners quote from the evidence of Dr. A. F. Emery, Miss Amy Ididole, Dr. Murray MacLaren, Dr. W. A. Christie and Dr. G. A. B. Addy, and refer to that of Dr. Thos. Walker and Geo. E. Fairweather. It is found that "at certain periods the food has not been of a reasonably good quality; that vermin has been present when no reasonable excuse could be offered for its presence, and that at times the discipline has been lax."

RECOMMEND A SUPERINTENDENT. Your commissioners recommend that a superintendent be appointed to manage the business affairs of the institution, "under the direction and control of the commission;" that the system of commissioners rotating monthly in the work of purchasing supplies be discontinued, and that this work be one of the duties of the superintendent, who shall inspect the food upon arrival, and be responsible for its constant excellence to the whole commission.

NINE MORE NURSES. With regard to the care of patients, your commissioners recommend that nine nurses be added, making a total of 25 to be employed or trained; that of the 25 at least three be graduated nurses, one of whom shall be in charge of each floor, all to be under the control of a superintendent of nurses (to be appointed) said superintendent to maintain strict discipline, to have authority to dismiss for any of its breaches, and to be responsible to the commissioners for the efficiency of the service. The matron shall act as housekeeper. The nurses in training should receive practical instruction in cooking, as is done in all the best modern hospitals. At least three trained male nurses should be employed; they are needed to promote the efficiency of the whole work. The medical staff, to consist of a resident physician and an assistant under control of the visiting staff of doctors.

All of this evidence brings to light the fact that a large expenditure should be made in order to modernize the institution. The hospital building represents perhaps the best thought of medical men of 30 years ago, but the rapid advances made during that period in the treatment of the sick and in surgery, have rendered necessary the removal of the old building and the construction from those of the earlier date.

RECOMMEND \$25,000 DEBENTURES. Your commissioners recommend that the hospital commissioners be authorized to issue debentures to the extent of \$25,000, this sum to be expended in remodeling or improving the building, if possible, to bring up to the standard of the best hospitals in the province. W. A. Christie, and Dr. G. A. B. Addy and Dr. Murray MacLaren, who were present at the meeting, said that the amount expended to the best advantage according to plans to be submitted to the government or the municipal council. The other wards in the hospital should at least be brought up to the standard of the Francis Murray Memorial Ward; a portion of the increased money to be used to enlarge the Nurses' home, to provide accommodation for the additional nurses recommended.

FEES FROM PRIVATE PATIENTS. Your commissioners have carefully studied the hospital statistics of other Canadian hospitals, and find a marked difference in the receipts from private patients at St. John and elsewhere. The, in the province of Ontario, the amount received from private patients in all public hospitals in 1901 was \$275,651.23 and the amount received from municipalities was \$104,674.28, in other words the private patients contributed 72 per cent. of the revenue from these two sources.

The St. John hospital received last year from private patients in eight months \$1,028.61 and from the dominion government for the care of sailors, who for the purposes of this comparison may be classed as private patients, \$1,923.90, in all \$3,252.51. The amount paid by the municipality of St. John was \$11,927.75, and therefore the percentage of these two items that private patients contribute at St. John is 21 per cent. as against 72 per cent. in Ontario. In no single instance in Ontario does the percentage fall as low as it does here, and it may be fair to infer that so far as this hospital is concerned it might be well to discontinue receiving private patients altogether, or else remodel the hospital in such a way that a larger number could be taken, higher rates charged and the income of the commission be thereby increased.

REDUCTION OF COMMISSION TO FIVE MEMBERS. Your commission believe that the hospital commission should be reduced to five members, two to be appointed by the city of St. John—two by the provincial government and one by the

municipality of the city and county of St. John. Further, that the term of office be limited to five years, but that the members be eligible for reappointment.

If this suggestion be adopted it is recommended that one commissioner be appointed for a year, one for two years, one for three, one for four and one for five, and as each term expires the new appointment be made for five years.

GENERAL.

Last year it cost to support patients residing in St. John. . . . \$10,338.09

Patients residing in other counties outside of St. John city and county. . . . 5,351.63

Patients residing outside of the province. . . . 5,367.65

To provide for the support of those mentioned under the second head, the government contributes \$3,800, leaving last year a deficiency of \$1,531.52, supplied by the St. John tax payers.

From the cost of patients residing outside the province there could be deducted the sum of \$1,923.90 received from the dominion government for the board of sailors, leaving under this head a deficiency of \$3,447.75. Add together the net deficit caused by the maintenance of patients from New Brunswick counties, excluding the county of St. John, \$1,531.52, and the deficit incurred by supporting those outside the province, \$3,447.75, and the result is reached that \$4,969.27 is contributed by the municipality of the city and county of St. John for patients who perhaps should not be properly placed upon it.

This deficit, so far as the New Brunswick patients are concerned, might be met by a readjustment of the basis upon which provincial aid is granted, and instead of a fixed sum of \$3,800 paid over to the commissioners, the actual cost of maintaining such patients be the government quota, or else that legislation be enacted to provide for the payment to the commission, by the municipalities from which patients come, the actual cost of maintenance.

CARE OF SAILORS.

Dealing with the deficit caused by the maintenance of those whose residence is without the province, it is suggested that the dominion government might be approached with a view to their increasing the allowance per diem for the care of sailors, if the amount received for hospital dues at the port of St. John warrant such request. In this connection it may be stated that the weight of evidence is in favor of continuing the present arrangement with the dominion government for the care of sailors, at a higher rate if possible, with which your commissioners agree.

The increased revenue which might accrue as a result of the adoption of the above suggestions, will not meet the increased cost of managing the hospital, incidental to the increased changes and improvements suggested by your commissioners, and it is therefore recommended that the commission of the St. John Public Hospital be authorized to issue the warrants for a sum not exceeding \$18,000, in the manner provided by chap. 49 of the acts of 1873, and in amendment to sec. 1 of said act.

C. J. MILLIGAN'S PROMISE OF LIBEL. (Fredericton Gleaner Edit., 10th.) On Monday last the following letter was received at this office:

SAINT JOHN, N. B., 7th July, 1902. James H. Crockett, Esq., Editor the Gleaner, Fredericton, N. B.: Sir—I am instructed by Mr. C. J. Milligan to write you concerning an article which appeared in the Gleaner of Saturday the 5th inst., in the form of a letter headed 'The Deaf and Dumb,' and bearing the signature 'Sunlight in the Fog.' At least one of the statements contained in the letter is clearly libellous, and my instructions are to request from you the name of the party who wrote the article, with a view of bringing an action against him. I am also to say that Mr. Milligan requires from the Gleaner a full retraction and apology for the admission of such a letter into its columns. Failure on your part to comply with either of these requests will result in a libel suit directed against yourself personally, and I think that you will see that the charge of forgery is one of sufficient seriousness to necessitate action on Mr. Milligan's part.

Trusting that your compliance with the above may render such a course unnecessary, I remain, Yours very truly, H. A. McKEOWN.

(Dictated.) The following is the reply made on the same date:

(Dictated.) FREDERICTON, N. B., July 7th, 1902. Hon. H. A. McKeown, St. John, N. B.: Sir—I have yours of this date to the effect that Mr. C. J. Milligan instructed you to write to me concerning a communication which appeared in the columns of the Gleaner headed 'The Deaf and Dumb,' and bearing the signature 'Sunlight in the Fog.' You say that unless the name of the person who wrote the communication is at once revealed Mr. Milligan will bring an action of libel against me personally, and you also say that Mr. Milligan requires from the Gleaner a full retraction and apology for the admission of such a letter into its columns. I beg to say in reply that I do not propose at this stage to give to Mr. Milligan the name of the writer nor to make any retraction or apology for the publication of the letter referred to. I am quite prepared to stand by what has been said and published, and Mr. Milligan can take his own course in the matter.

I am, very truly yours, JAS. H. CROCKETT, Per C. M. F.

Today is the tenth of July.

THE BATTLE LINE. Str. Leucra, Capt. Grant, sailed from Bombay yesterday afternoon for Genoa and Marseilles.

Sir Treves, Capt. McDougall, has arrived at Cardif, where she will go into dock. Her bow was stove in to the collision bulkhead by stranding on Lundy Island. She also had her propeller damaged and is leaking.

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CANADIAN NEWS.

MONTREAL, July 10.—The Star's London cable says: Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lady Laurier accompanied Lord Strathcona to the Imperial coronation bazaar at the Royal Botanical Gardens, which the Queen opened this afternoon. Tonight the colonial guests attended the Prince and Princess of Wales' reception at St. James Palace.

The Canadian rifle team shot a match with the New Zealand and Australasian teams yesterday under Kalepore cup conditions, and took second place. The New Zealanders won by nineteen points.

TORONTO, July 10.—The Telegram's cable says: The war office proposes moving the colonial contingents from Alexandria Palace to Kensington Gardens. The objections lodged by the Australasians to the treatment meted out to them at the former place worked where the Canadian protests failed.

Some of the finest British marksmen, civil and military, have entered their names on the list from which a selection will be made for the team to be sent to Canada to compete for the Palma trophy at the D. R. A. meeting at Ottawa in August.

The high wind today blew the flagstaff from All Saints church, Langham place. In falling the pole struck a small pillar, which became detached and brought it crumbling to the ground. Miss May Strathay of Lechmere and two other ladies were passing at the time and the falling stones struck all three. Miss Strathay's skull was fractured and she died almost instantly. The other two were seriously injured and may succumb. Miss Strathay was sojourning with her aged grandmother at Scott's hotel, Langham street. The old lady is so feeble that people are afraid to acquaint her with the fatality. Miss Strathay was a daughter of Edward Strathay, secretary of the Montreal Safe Deposit Co. She was well known and a popular young lady in Montreal.

MILITARY NOTES.

The 3rd Regiment of Artillery are to be inspected on Monday and Tuesday evenings by Lt. Col. Rutherford, A. A. G.

The 62nd Fusiliers will have a route march this evening, starting at 8 o'clock. The route will be up Charlotte to King street and down King street to Market square, where a halt will be made for a few minutes, and if the crowd can be kept back a short battalion drill may be held.

On Sunday afternoon both the Artillery and the 62nd Fusiliers will have a church parade, and the whole force will attend divine service at St. John's church. The fall in will sound at 3 o'clock, and service will be at 4 o'clock. The usual shortened evening service will be held and the sermon will be by Rev. Canon Richardson, rector of Trinity.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The class of '98 of the High School held their first reunion most enjoyably in White's restaurant last evening. E. C. Hennigan, B. A., presided, and 25 of the class members were in attendance. As guests of the class there were present Dr. Bridges and Miss Alice Walker, president of the Alumnae Society. A satisfying bill of fare daintily served was appreciatively received and afterward a pleasant hour or two was passed in listening to addresses by the chairman, Dr. Bridges, Miss Walker, Miss Helen Freeze and C. P. Martin, B. A., and a reading by R. E. Coups. Letters of regret at their inability to be present were received from Mrs. Sanford, Miss Knowlton and a number of absent members were read by W. O. Raymond, Jr., B. A.

Before the close the class was formed with a permanent organization with E. C. Hennigan as first president and W. O. Raymond, Jr., as secretary.

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ROMAN CATHOLICISM.

Very Rev. Dr. Slattery Says It Is Losing Ground in the United States.

(Baltimore Morning Herald.)

Recent events in Roman Catholic circles tend to hasten the call of the Fourth Plenary Council of the United States. On the occasion of the ordination of a colored man to the priesthood the Very Rev. J. R. Slattery, D. D., superior of St. Joseph's Seminary, this city, called attention to the fact that Roman Catholicism is losing ground in this country. The following is the table upon which his assertions are based:

10,978,757 Catholic population according to Catholic Directory, 1902; 8,301,367 for the year 1890; 2,675,390 increase of Catholic population in twelve years; 2,705,134 Roman Catholic immigration 1890 to 1902.

From the above figures it is apparent that the loss of membership of the Roman Catholic church in the United States is greater than the total of strictly Catholic immigrants.

At a gathering of influential clergymen and laymen held in Washington yesterday it was suggested that the Board of Archbishops which meets next October at the Catholic University, memorialized to use its authority to compel a stricter census of the Catholic population. The figures of the Catholic Directory, an official publication, are based upon the returns made by the pastors of the various parishes and conservative men think that this will hardly change the apparent conditions, as there is no incentive on the part of the parish priests to minimize the importance of their parochial charges.

The figures concerning Roman Catholic immigration are obtained by adding the numbers of immigrants from Austria, Belgium, France, Italy, Poland (exclusive of Russian Poland), Portugal, Spain and Ireland. In this rough statement no account is taken of the considerable French-Canadian influx, but a conservative estimate of Roman Catholic Germans is included. The omission of the French-Canadians and the English and Scotch and other Catholic contingents is thought to offset any obvious errors in the totals taken.

It is also suggested that the reason of this astounding condition is the neglect of work in the rural districts, and this assertion gains strength from the fact that 4,000,000 of the 10,000,000 Roman Catholics in the United States reside in the great cities of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Boston and New Orleans.

Whatever the reason there is no disguise of the fact that Dr. Slattery's revelation has stirred the Catholic priesthood as never before. Dr. Slattery is one of the most conservative men in the church. The simplicity of the statement is its strength; but its issuance from him gives it authority which might not come from another source.

There are rumors that the next meeting of the Board of Archbishops will be the most important since the adjournment of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, and will herald the calling of the fourth. This will not immediately remedy the situation, as it will require at least four years to prepare the subjects of discussion. The matter will first have to be referred to the bishops; these will report their views to a committee of the archbishops. The latter will report to Rome. The Congregation of the Propaganda and the Congregation of Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs will consider this report and a final schedule of subjects will be prepared. After this it will require the lapse of at least a year before the meeting of the Plenary Council.

Meanwhile, it is said, that the country will witness a series of grand Catholic "revivals," and the mission bands of the church will be increased by the addition of the most eloquent and zealous preachers of the church.

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POLICE COURT.

Sundry Drunks—Two Codfish—The Cottars and Hong Lee.

Yesterday afternoon Thomas Sheehan tried his best to sell two codfish to people on Brussels street. He was a day ahead of time, as yesterday was not Friday. Besides bothering every person he met, Sheehan was drunk and was finally arrested. He was sent to jail for twenty days.

William Gillespie for being drunk on St. John street was fined four dollars or ten days.

James Riley, drunk on Pond street, two months.

William Morris besides being drunk used naughty language on Sheffield street. He claimed to belong to Nova Scotia, which is probably another name for Sheffield street, where Morris lives. He was sent to jail for four months.

John Dorcy had \$3.96 on his person when arrested and was fined \$4.00. The compromise was accepted.

Patrick Cottar and his wife were arrested for assaulting William Beckwith. The latter stated that Mrs. Cottar had thrown a bucket of soap-suds over him and that her husband had threatened to tear his heart out. Not wishing to lose his heart, Beckwith complained. Cottar called three witnesses who said they didn't know anything about the affair but were willing to tell all they knew. They were excused. Mr. and Mrs. Cottar were each fined twenty dollars or two months in jail.

Hong Lee, a laundryman, reported Roy Kincaide for assaulting him. The Chinaman carried a lovely black eye, which he explained was the result of contact with Kincaide's fist. The latter stated that Hong Lee had struck him first and the matter was allowed to drop.

Abner Secord for allowing his horse to wander at large on Brad street was fined two dollars.

Red Ross tea is sold from Newfoundland to Vancouver. It's good tea.

COPY FOR SATURDAY'S ISSUE OF THE STAR should be sent in EARLY FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, to ensure change, as the paper goes to press earlier on Saturdays than on other days of the week.

LOCAL NEWS.

The State of Maine brought in one hundred and fifty-six passengers last night.

Beginning tomorrow all the banks in the city will close at twelve o'clock instead of at one as at present.

Dominion Loyal Orange lodge, No. 141, is requested to meet at the lodge room tomorrow morning at six, in order to attend the Orange excursion.

Misses' shirt waists will be sold at the S. C. Porter store, 11 Charlotte street, tomorrow, at 39 cents—former prices, 75 cents to \$1.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Fairville Methodist church will hold a strawberry festival and fancy sale on Thursday, 17th July.

Owing to the sizes in kid gloves not being complete, we will offer all 75 cent quality of kid gloves at 39 cents. The S. C. Porter store, 11 Charlotte street.

The lecture given by Miss Eleanor Robinson on Hardy, last Wednesday evening, in Mrs. George Coster's drawing room was most interesting and instructive.

Great sale of Ladies' Print Wrappers at F. R. Patterson's, corner Charlotte and Duke streets, all day Saturday, July 12th. Come, you may expect bargains. One price, only 99c. each. See ad. on this page.

CONCERT AT ROTHESAY.

A very enjoyable concert was held last evening in the schoolroom of St. Paul's church at Rothersey. The audience was a large one, quite a number having gone out from the city to attend. The programme was as follows:

Selection, St. Andrew's church quartet; vocal solo, Mrs. J. F. Fraser; reading, Mrs. McClure; vocal solo, Robert Morgan; violin solo, W. H. Belding; vocal solo, Miss Minnie Stewart; reading, Mrs. McClure; vocal solo, Cameron Bogart; piano solo, Mr. Eville; selection, St. Andrew's quartet.

All the numbers were well rendered, the piano solo by Mr. Eville being particularly enjoyable. After the programme refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served by the members of the Needlework Society of St. Paul's church.

MEN'S HARVESTING GLOVES,

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AFTER 42 YEARS.

Among the guests at the Royal are George Turnbull and his son, Charles M. Turnbull, of Cambridge, Mass., who are renewing acquaintance with old friends. Mr. Turnbull has been absent from St. John for over forty years, having removed to the United States in 1860. He was formerly a well-known contractor and builder, having owned the property on which Haley Bros.' factory now stands. Most of the buildings erected by Mr. Turnbull were destroyed by the fire of 1888.

ST. CROIX MAKES A RECORD.

The steamer St. Croix, from Boston today, brought 550 passengers. She made the round trip from here to Boston and back in 48 hours, leaving here at 10 a. m. Wednesday and arriving back at 10 a. m. today. She stopped both ways, at Eastport and Lubec. Considering these stops and the necessary delay in Boston this is a great record. She made the record run of 16 hours and 14 minutes from Lubec to Boston.

TOMORROW'S BASEBALL.

Jack McLean, the catcher, well known in St. John, will be here to play with the Roses tomorrow. He is now in Halifax and will return with the Alerts. Walsh will play right field in place of Macfarlane, who drops out. The Roses have been endeavoring to sign a new pitcher, but as yet no final arrangements have been made and Whelly will probably pitch tomorrow, as Tibbitts' arm is not yet well.

PERSONAL.

Miss Ida L. Cummings of Pitt street, left this morning to visit friends in Calais, Me.

Judge Landry went east on the C. P. R. express today.

C. J. Carroll of Guelph is in the city. Charles Nicoll of Montreal is registered at the Dufferin.

E. L. Clay of Auburndale, Mass., is staying at the Dufferin. Mr. Clay is suffering from the effects of a bicycle accident.

IN THE LION'S MOUTH.

Some days ago a man by the name of Connors was arrested by Constable Pepper in a civil action. While being escorted to jail he broke away and had not been seen until this morning. During the proceedings in the court today Connors was among the spectators and while listening to the different cases was re-arrested by the constable from whom he had escaped.

PROBATE COURT.

The last will of Joseph H. Scammell was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to his widow, Maria L. Scammell, the executrix named in the will.

The estate is valued at \$7,800 personal property. Hazen & Raymond, probators.

Some people are more particular than others about the quality of tea they drink. Try a 50 or 60 cent package of Red Rose.

KILSON AND BRIGGS.

The Latter Arrested in Somerville Mass., But the Former Escaped.

Thomas Damery of the Somerville police is in the city for a few days, the guest of his brother, Charles Damery of the Park Hotel.

Officer Damery on Tuesday last arrested James Briggs, well known in St. John, in a house on Kingston street, West Somerville. The Boston papers of July 10th have long accounts of the capture and charges on which Briggs was arrested. Officer Damery says that early last spring a number of thefts and assaults were committed in and about Somerville, and the police, after working on the cases, secured sufficient evidence to warrant the arrest of Kelson and Briggs, who were in the employ of an express company and who were living together. But the two left Somerville and were next heard of in Fall River. Here they again made themselves famous, but for the second time managed to escape the police and went back to Boston. After committing several other crimes they left the United States and came to St. John. Their records here are well known.

On Saturday last Briggs sailed from this city for Boston on the Cumberland. He and Kelson landed in Boston on the same steamer and it is stated that Kelson had been hiding on a schooner in St. John harbor until the day the Cumberland left here. Their arrival in Boston on Sunday was made known to the police department there, and on Monday search was made at the house where they lived. The young men were not to be found.

On Tuesday morning several Somerville officers went again to the house, but Kelson and Briggs were not at home. An hour or two later Officer Damery and another returned. The former went at once to Briggs' room, where he found Jimmy dressing, and placed him under arrest. Kelson, as has occurred on several previous occasions, made his escape when just within an ace of being captured. Several shots were fired at him, but they did not take effect, and for another time in his career the young fellow got away.

There are quite a number of charges against the two for crimes committed in Somerville, but the one on which Briggs is held is that of breaking and entering a shop. Among the others is a brutal assault on a Chinese laundryman.

This morning Officer Damery and the city police spent some time in discussing the escapades of the two young fellows.

It is quite probable that the descriptive circulars of Briggs, which were sent out at the time of his escape, showing his connection with Kelson, have suggested him to the Somerville police as the possible associate of Kelson in crimes the latter is now supposed to have committed there. The fortunate lad, who won many friends here, will have their hopes that he may be again speedily discharged and that his past associations may not prevent him from a useful life in future.

THESE PLAYFUL BRONCHOS.

There are more broncho stories around town than you can count. Nearly every purchaser has some kind of a tale of destruction or devastation to tell. The animals, it has been explained are not vicious but just a bit playful and full of life. This explanation was advanced by a happy owner, who was trying to sell his broncho to another man, who had just been fanned by the left hind hoof of the beast. Another one of the animals was at night hitched to a cab. It started off well and went peacefully for about fifty yards, then it evidently saw the moon and wanted it. The broncho twice jumped as far as the harness would allow, and the third bound released it from all encumbrances. It did not get the moon, but did get a gait going down street.

MRS. AMANDA SMITH.

Mrs. Amanda Smith, the colored evangelist from the southern states, arrived in the city by the Boston express at noon today. She will go to Brown's Flats this afternoon and deliver her first address at the Reformed Baptist meetings at Beulah camp this evening. Mrs. Smith is a woman upwards of seventy years of age. She was born a slave, but for many years has traveled in different parts of the world, devoting her whole attention to evangelical work.

THE BOYS' CAMP.

The advance party of the Y. M. C. A. boys, consisting of Don, Malcolm, James Steele and William Malcolm, will leave tomorrow for Robinson's Point on the Grand Lake, to pitch the tents and get the camp grounds in condition for the rest of the party. They will leave the city on the 16th, and will stay until the last day of the month. An effort is being made to get the new secretary, Mr. Wilson, to be present at the last week of the camp and meet the boys.

GREAT BALL GAME.

This afternoon at three o'clock teams from the Street Railway and Dufferin hotel staff played a game of baseball on the Shamrock grounds. The teams are as follows:

Street R'y.	Dufferin.
Bar. Duffy.	E. G. Stewart.
Tommy Evans.	A. Cammer.
Harry Carr.	J. J. Daley.
A. Chisholm.	Ern. McColl.
Fred Coats.	Frank Mullis.
Arthur Dingee.	Wm. Kelly.
T. Congrove.	Tom. Corbett.
Wm. Fritts.	F. Higgins.
Hiram Lemmon.	G. McKinnon.

Delay of the Dufferin's is the captain of the well-known Hinky-dinks.

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John Duffield, Halifax; Cond. Lenaghan, Montreal; C. J. Carroll, Guelph; E. L. Clay, Auburndale, Mass.; E. W. Clay, Auburndale, Mass.; J. E. Clay, Auburndale, Mass.; Geo. Miller, Springfield, Mass.; W. R. Finson, Bangor, Chas. Nicoll, Montreal; W. L. Haynes, Boston; L. H. Sage and wife, Hackett, N. J.; G. H. Harper and wife, Machias, Me.; E. J. Bengier and wife, Boston.

SQUADRON CRUISE.

The Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club Go on Their Annual Outing Next Week.

The following orders have been issued by Commodore Thomson of the R. K. Y. Club:—

FLAGSHIP SCIONDA, July 11, 1902. General Order No. 2—

The squadron for the annual cruise will sail from Millville on the 14th inst. at 9.30 a. m. The first rendezvous will be selected during that day. The distance run will depend on the weather.

The programme is to visit Gagetown, Grand Lake, Washademoak, Belle Isle, and rendezvous at Oak Point on the afternoon of Saturday, the 19th inst. Divine service will be held at Oak Point at 10 a. m. Sunday, after which the squadron will return to Millville and end the cruise.

Captains are requested to observe the following rules:—

Single masted yachts will fly their private signals while under sail, and on coming to anchor will lower same and hoist the club burgee.

At 8 a. m. each day a gun will be fired from the flagship as signal to hoist flags.

At sundown a gun will be fired from the flagship to lower flags and hoist anchor lights.

Sailings each day will be at 9.30 a. m. and a gun will be fired from the flagship each day at that hour ordering the squadron to get under way.

By order of
THE COMMODORE.

ROBERT S. RITCHIE,
Fleet Captain.

The intention at present is that the fleet will sail to some part of Long Island and anchor there during the first night. On Tuesday they will move up to Grand Lake. The hall at Wiggin's Cove has been engaged and on Tuesday evening a concert will be given there by the yachtmen and their guests. On the following day the fleet will head up the Washademoak Lake and anchor for the night about two-thirds of the way up. The yachts will spend Thursday night in Jenkins' Cove, Belle Isle, and return on Saturday to Oak Point where on Sunday divine service will be conducted by Dr. Lindsay Parker. One day of the week is allowed for change of programme should unfavorable weather interfere.

The following yachts will take part in the cruise:

Steam, Scionda, Commodore Thomson; Dream, W. H. Thorne, H. D. Troop; Leona, J. H. Pullen, H. J. Fleming; Theima, F. C. Eren, A. B. Woodley; Zuleika, J. Fraser Gregory.
Sailing—Canada, Fred S. Heans, Howard Holder, Howard Camp; Maple Leaf, E. C. Woods, Chas. T. Nevins; Windward, S. L. Kerr, R. S. Ritchie, T. U. Hay, Wm. White and others; Dahinda, W. M. McKay, W. W. White, J. E. Moore, Irex, R. M. Fowler; Jubilee, Stanley E. Elkin, Fred P. Elkin; Rose, A. H. Merrill, C. S. Everett; Sunol, W. G. Stratton, W. J. Wetmore; Tandwha, Robert Seely, Thistle, Gabriel DeVogher, A. P. McIntyre, Venus, K. Pedersen; Winogene, E. H. Fairweather, G. G. Ruel; Bluenose, Geo. E. Holder; Edna, W. H. McIntyre, R. J. Armstrong; Ethel, M. W. McAvity; Kathleen, A. H. Merrill; Kelpie, W. A. MacLachlan; Myrtle, A. H. Likely; Robin Hood, T. T. Lantallum; Swan, Jas. T. Brown.

Commodore Thomson will have for his guests on the Scionda, Hon. A. G. Blair, Rear Commodore Adams, Dr. Lindsay Parker, Alderman Robinson and Major M. B. Edwards.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

To the Editor of the Star:
Sir,—Will the property owners ever wake up and realise the enormous risks they are taking in sitting quietly down and allowing the civic authorities to neglect such an important matter?

The state of affairs and some acts of Tuesday night should certainly set the people thinking.

Can any sane person countenance such an arrangement as one fire alarm circuit for the whole city, which means that an accident at any spot cripples and renders useless the whole system, compelling the discoverers of fire to resort to the certainly not up-to-date methods of running to the nearest fire station and reporting that there is a fire raging at a certain place?

Had the fire alarm system been in working order a great loss of valuable time would have occurred, for the person endeavoring to pull box 31 roused the occupants of the house to which the box is attached (and who the key certainly should be) only to learn that the home of the key was a porch on the other side of the street. Is it, or is it not a fact that the chief of the fire department was long ago instructed to have keys attached to all the boxes?

Is it not a disgrace to a city like ours, which is so well to the front in many matters, that our fire alarm system should be so utterly out of date?

I would ask each reader of this letter to imagine himself discovering a fire at night in a district with the residents of which he was not acquainted, and endeavoring to secure the key when an almost unintelligible card on the box stated "Keys at John Brown's and James Smith's."

EQUITY.
St. John, N. B., July 10, 1902.

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MRS. W. J. BERTON.

Mrs. Susan Berton, widow of the late W. J. Berton, died at an early hour this morning at her home, 79 Hazen street. Mrs. Berton was eighty-two years of age and had been in poor health for some months. She leaves one son, George K. Berton, and one daughter.

The funeral will be held from Trinity church at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

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