

MISSING SCHR. TURNS UP AND GOES ASHORE

The Laura C. Hall Has Been Off New England Coast In Disabled Condition Since Big Storm.

WRECKAGE OFF SENKATY HEAD

Boston, Mass., Dec. 22.—While all sorts of rumors and conjectures as to the probable fate of the British schooner Laura C. Hall of Parrishboro, N. B., have been circulating since she was seen off Cape Cod, battling with the storm of Dec. 16, which caused destruction to several other vessels in the vicinity, the Hall has been slowly working her way up the coast.

Last night she came into Boston harbor for shelter, but during the night carried her anchors and was driven ashore on the northwest side of Long Island. There she was discovered today. Two tugs went to her assistance this afternoon, but up to this evening they had not succeeded in pulling her afloat.

The Laura C. Hall, in command of Capt. Rockwell, is bound from Port Reading for Sackville, N. B., with a cargo of coal. When discovered today she was ashore bow first and was badly led up.

The last report about the Hall was that she had probably sunk in Great Round shoal, about 10 miles to the eastward of Nantucket, where a submerged vessel was discovered today. The identity of this latter vessel has not yet been established.

EMPERESS HAD RECORD MAIL

Altogether More Than 5,000 Packages On Board C. P. R. Steamer Which Arrived At Halifax Yesterday.

Halifax, Dec. 22.—With the biggest mail ever brought to Canada on board the Empress of Ireland reached port tonight. When the Hesperian broke the record last week it was thought that the limit had been reached for this year.

The Empress goes her a little better, for she has sixteen packages more Canadian mail on board, in addition to 115 packages of overseas mail. The Empress has 114 packages of mail for the Maritime Provinces. She has 4,424 packages for the rest of Canada. The Empress brought 678 passengers, forty-five of whom were landed at Halifax and the remainder taken to St. John. Among the passengers were J. L. R. Parsons and Mrs. Parsons, and R. D. Wilson, St. John.

NEGLIGENCE OF I. C. R. CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

Seven-Year-Old Lad Loses Arm At Moncton As Result Of Policy Of Economy—Run-off Delays Traffic.

Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., Dec. 22.—Stewart McDougall, seven years of age, lost an arm by being struck by a freight train near the new railway shops this afternoon. The accident took place at a crossing that had been declared dangerous, but the railway department refused to put in a proper crossing unless the city would bear the expense.

Tonight's Maritime Express from Halifax was delayed three hours by a run-off of a special near Wentworth. Very little damage was done. There was a good supply of poultry in the country market today and turkeys took a drop, some selling as low as 21 cents. The ruling price was 25 cents.

TWENTY YEARS FOR PART IN LYNCHING

Newark, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Twenty years in the penitentiary was the sentence passed today upon Montella Watha, who was convicted of manslaughter on December 17 on a charge of having taken part in the lynching of Carl Etherington, a "dry" detective last July. A motion for a new trial was overruled.

His Choice for Christmas



"What I want is this old sock filled by John Canuck."

O. M. FERGUSON OUT ON BAIL

Released On Order Of Judge Longley Who Professes To Have Misunderstood The Previous Application.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.—The writ of habeas corpus was invoked in the Ferguson case today, and the accused produced before Justice Longley, who heard the prisoner's counsel in an application to reduce the amount of bail.

J. J. Power appeared in support of the application. Mr. O'Hearn, who appeared on behalf of the Attorney-General stated that the crown strongly opposed any reduction. Mr. Justice Longley stated that in granting the original order he understood the amount was made up by the prisoner in \$4,000 and securities in \$4,000 also that in the original application he must have misunderstood Mr. Jenks as he was under the impression that the magistrate had held Ferguson in \$10,000.

He reduced the amount and ordered accused released in \$4,000 in himself and \$4,000 in securities, the bail to be completed at Halifax. Ferguson was in court and looked somewhat better than on Saturday.

TWO CANDIDATES IN ST. JOHN'S ELECTION

Conservative Nationalist To Oppose Straight Liberal In Contest For Vacancy In Quebec Legislature.

Special to The Standard. St. John's Que., Dec. 22.—There were only two nominations today for the vacancy in the Quebec legislature, caused by the death of the late M. Gabriel Marchand, Marcelin Robert, government candidate, straight Liberal, and M. H. Hebert, pronounced Conservative and Nationalist, with the nominees, and the struggle promises to be a memorable one.

BANK MANAGER IN TORONTO COURT

Making False Statements Is Charged Against General Manager Of Defunct Farmers' Bank—Case Remanded.

Special to The Standard. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 22.—Wm. R. Travers, general manager of the Farmers' Bank of Canada, appeared before Magistrate Denison in the police court this morning, charged with making false statements of the bank's position in his monthly reports to the government at Ottawa. Mr. Travers through his counsel, H. H. Dewart, K. C., pleaded not guilty, and elected to go before a jury. The case was accordingly remanded.

LETTERS FROM DUCHESS READ IN FRENCH COURT

Sensational Scenes Accompany Trial Of Bogus Count And American Wife On Charge Of Swindling.

Tours, France, Dec. 22.—A tempestuous day in the Correctional Court, where the trial of "Count" D'Aulby de Gattigny, and his American wife is being held, on the charge of swindling, reached a climax this afternoon in the introduction of love letters alleged to have been written to D'Aulby by the Duchess of Choleseul-Pralin, the plaintiff in the case, while she was the wife of Charles Hamilton Palme. During the reading of the letters, which the Duchess refused to acknowledge as hers, the two women, the Duchess and the "Countess" D'Aulby, sat side by side exchanging furious glances, while the court room jammed to suffocation with fashionable women, was filled with sighs, murmurs and exclamations as all strained to catch the words.

"I love you so hard," read M. Bernard, counsel for D'Aulby, "that it makes me ill. You have given yourself to me. All I ask is that you love me always. That is God's best gift. The day passes, fire dies, but my love goes on forever. It is an incandescent consuming flame that dulls me, sitting at your knees, cradled in your heart."

(Signed) "Lucy." The duchess underwent a pitiless cross examination as to her relations with D'Aulby, but she refused to answer many of the questions, and begged the court to intervene to spare her. She charged that D'Aulby had demanded \$200,000 for the return of the letters which she had written him, and that his entire conduct had been that of a blackmail since the discovery that the paintings were worthless.

She denied that she had presented jewelry to D'Aulby including a golden padlock bearing the inscription: "You have the key." She denied also that she had arranged for D'Aulby a contract with her husband for the purchase of pictures, as proof of her love for him, or that she said: "This shows that I am your guardian angel." D'Aulby had insisted, the witness said, that they had not been authentic, with only one exception, D'Aulby recalled, admitted having received \$3,200 for wine which he did not furnish. He said he kept the money because the Palme owed him \$40,000. A Parisian physician, a friend of the late Mr. Palme, testified that Palme had always considered the picture "Autopsie" a copy, not an original.

M. Labiguer, the business agent of the duchess, whom M. Bernard attacked yesterday, declaring that his presence at the bar with counsel for the prosecution was an insult to the legal profession of France, tonight sent a challenge to Bernard to a duel, but the seconds decided that M. Bernard had not exceeded his rights and that a duel was not justified.

LESS DEMAND FOR ALL COTTON GOODS

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 22.—"It seems as though the country is going without cotton," was the way Otis N. Pierce, president of the New Bedford Cotton Manufacturers' Association, summed up the trade situation today. "It certainly looks as though there had got to be curtailment," he continued. "There is no demand for cotton goods. Both the fine and coarse goods mills are affected by the present conditions."

TWO DROWN AT CHARLOTTETOWN

Alex. MacRae And Vernon Coles Meet Death While Preparing For Smelt Fishing—Two Others Rescued.

Special to The Standard. Charlottetown, Dec. 22.—Two young men were drowned in the channel of the southwest river today while crossing on the ice in company with two others.

The two victims of the accident, Alex. MacRae and Vernon Coles, aged 20 and 16 respectively, were getting ready for the smelt fishing and were about to haul a small shack on a raft when the ice gave way. The two boys, warned of their danger, but when about the centre of the channel the ice gave way and the four men went under. Help was given with a stick under. Help was given with a stick under. Help was given with a stick under. Help was given with a stick under.

WHY MR. CARON WAS APPOINTED TO BOARD

Government Removes Formidable Opponent To Hon. Mr. Murphy By Offering Him Job On I. C. R. Commission.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The appointment of J. T. Caron, ex-M. P., to the Intercolonial railway board is a curious bit of work. That gentleman has been busy in Russell county of late, and was the accepted French Canadian candidate who was to put Hon. Charles Murphy out of his business. In the ensuing general election he was to have had the support of the Nationalists, so that his victory was assured, hence the government has given him a job to get him out of the way.

WINNIPEG COMPANY BURN THEIR BRIDGES

All Striking Employees Formally Discharged And Request Is Sent For Uniforms—Hope Of Settlement Gone.

Special to The Standard. Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—The Street Railway Company this morning formally discharged all its employees now on strike, and Manager Phillips wrote a letter to Wm. Marshall, representing the striking motormen and conductors asking that all caps and badges be turned in immediately, and that the men would be paid off if they called at the office. This is a severe blow to the prospects of settlement which looked promising yesterday.

FRENCH GOV'T HAS SCHEME TO AVOID STRIKES

Commission Representative Of Workmen And Companies To Pass On All Difficulties—Compulsory Arbitration.

APPLIES TO ALL PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Paris, Dec. 22.—The text of the government measure formulated for the purpose of preventing general strikes with particular reference to the employees of public service corporations, was made public tonight. The measure constitutes a comprehensive plan for ending the strike evil on the railroads and in other public service by means of an organized conciliation commission composed of representatives of the men and companies. The commission will meet at regular intervals, and when conciliation fails, compulsory arbitration is provided for, the principle being introduced that when the arbitral sentence imposes an additional charge the corporation can indicate the method whereby the railroad or other service can secure compensation, either by raising the rate or by other means.

A Remarkable Document. The report accompanying the measure is a remarkable document. It quotes the declaration of the rights of many to prove the public services have been instituted for the public good, not for the benefit of those to whom they have been confided, from which it deduces the conclusion embodied in the bills that the interruption of public service is a crime. At the same time it admits that public service employees, like other workers, have a right to amelioration of situations, and in conciliation and arbitration it is proposed to give them a weapon "as powerful as the strike." "The companies must accede" the report proceeds, "because it is now conceded as a principle of jurisprudence that the state in conceding public services to municipalities, does not waive its right to interfere and compel the concessionaires to grant ameliorations in the interest of public good and the preservation of public order."

The report reviews arbitration experiments abroad, especially commending those carried on in the United States and Australia. It emphasizes the general principle of strikes, which it likens to the war of barbarism. It points out that the moral tendencies of the world are against violence as manifested by the wide spread growth of the movement for the peaceful settlement of international disputes, and it argues that the twentieth century marks the dawn of arbitration as the solution of both international and social war.

MAURETANIA SUCCESSFUL

Fast Cunard Liner Accomplishes Record Trip in 12 Days Arriving At Fishguard Last Night.

Fishguard, Dec. 22.—The Mauretania left Liverpool, December 10, in an attempt to make a record voyage to New York and return in twelve days, arrived at 10:22 o'clock tonight. The quick voyage across the ocean was due to the rapid taking on of cargo at New York, enabling the continental passengers to reach their destinations before Christmas. It is a source of the greatest satisfaction and inquiries among the passengers and those who gathered here to meet the steamer.

It was the first time that a dismemberment at night by a big liner has been attempted at this port. It was a novel scene. The harbor was ablaze with searchlights; flares and rockets. Vessels blew their whistles sirens blared and the crowds cheered as the Mauretania steamed in, her band playing and her decks crowded with passengers. The weather throughout the eastern voyage was favorable. By the aid of four tenders, six hundred passengers and the mails were landed with the greatest expedition. The first special train left for London at 10:55 o'clock, and a special with the continental mails and passengers at 11:55 o'clock.

All on board greatly enjoyed the trip. The company, in honor of the occasion has given the entire crew two days extra pay.

TRANSFERRED TO MEXICO

London, Dec. 22.—Among the new diplomatic appointments announced, is that of Sir Arthur Herbert, to be minister to Mexico. Sir Arthur Herbert was recently minister to Norway. According to a despatch from Christiania he was transferred to Mexico because he had incurred the government's displeasure by giving a ball when King Edward was at the point of death.

40 KNOWN DEAD IN TWO DISASTERS

14 DEAD IN PHILADELPHIA

William Glazer In Hospital with Pneumonia After 13 Hours in Icebound Ruins—Fire of Incendiary Origin.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22.—Fourteen firemen and policemen are known to be dead and more than 40 are in hospitals suffering from injuries from which some will not recover as the result of the collapse of the walls at the burning of the four-story factory of David Friedlander, dealer in leather remnants at 116-18-20 Bodine St. The icebound ruins are still being searched for the body of Charles Edleman, who is known to be dead, and to discover, if possible, the bodies of several other firemen who are reported missing.

William Glazer, who was held fast in the ruins for more than 13 hours, is in a hospital suffering from pneumonia, but at a late hour tonight his condition was reported to be greatly improved, and the physicians have hopes of saving his life. Pinned beneath an immense iron girder, Glazer gave one of the greatest exhibitions of fortitude on record. When he was found alive, held down by tons of debris, physicians wanted to amputate his legs in order that he might be removed. He protested, saying: "I will get out all right and in plenty of time. What good would I be without my legs? I would rather trust to the boys getting this junk away."

It is reported that the fire was of incendiary origin, and expect to make an arrest. The police and firemen say that the flames seemed to spring up all over the building at the same time. There was nothing stored in the structure of an inflammable character, the floors being filled with machinery and leather. The mass of debris is frozen solid, and it may be several days before any additional bodies are taken from the ruins. Although Edleman's body could almost directly beneath Glazer, the latter lay on the sidewalk, the remaining walls had to be raised before it was deemed safe to continue the work of digging in the ruins.

Some of the fire companies whose members met death and injury in the fire in the collapse, were practically wiped out by the disaster. Engines numbers 6, 23, 29, and truck No. 7, lost more than half their crews, while other companies suffered less severely.

FEAR DROWNING OF AVIATOR

Cecil Grace Missing Since He Left Calais On Return Journey Across Channel—Went Northward.

Dover, Eng., Dec. 22.—The greatest anxiety is felt here concerning the fate of Cecil Grace, a member of the Royal Aero Club, who in an attempt to win the Baron De Forest prize of \$20,000, flew over the English Channel from Dover this morning, reached the Belgian frontier, only to be turned back by adverse winds, landed near Calais on the return trip, started from there on the homeward flight across the Channel, and has not been heard from since. The report that Grace had landed near Deal is incorrect, and inquiries along both coasts have proved fruitless. Up to midnight Grace was still missing.

Captain Boucher, of a cross channel mail packet says that Grace boarded his boat at Calais to seek advice about re-crossing the Channel. Boucher advised him to start 20 minutes after the steamer and to follow in its wake. To Boucher's surprise Grace started 10 minutes before the steamer and flew in a northeast direction.

The captain feared that the aviator must have gone in the direction of the North Sea. The Ostend packet did not see Grace and the last report was that he was seen flying over the Goodwin Sands about 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

CLINGS TO BEAM TWELVE STORIES UP

New York, Dec. 22.—With his left leg crushed against the wall by an elevator cage, Charles Gustavson, a carpenter, clung to a beam in the shaft twelve stories above the ground for twenty minutes tonight. By standers feared to attempt his rescue as the slightest movement might jar him from his hold. Firemen were summoned and climbed to the top of the cage cutting the man free with their axes. Gustavson was working in the shaft when the elevator came up, crushing his leg against the wall. On hearing his cry the operator stopped the car but dared not move it to free him for fear the injured man would fall down the shaft.

Bodies of Chicago Fire Chief and Eighteen of His Men Recovered

Explosion of Cold Air in Meat Warehouse Cause of Wall Collapse.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 22.—Of the 23 killed in the stockyards fire today by falling walls, the bodies of 19, including that of Fire Chief James Horan, had been taken from the ruins at a late hour tonight. The list of dead includes the chief, the assistant chief, two captains, five lieutenants, 12 city firemen, two private firemen, and a railway employe. Fifteen firemen were seriously injured including two captains.

A railroad wrecking train with derricks and steamshovels was used to clear away the burning ruins. The fire broke out afresh at 8 o'clock tonight, after it had taxed the strength of the fire department for 16 hours. Acting Chief Seyferlich sent a general call to outlying stations for fresh men. These aided by police reserves, continued the fight and the search for bodies of the dead. Insurance men said that the killing of the chief and his men was not due to an ammonia tank explosion as first supposed, but to the expansion of cold air in the beef warehouse due to the heat from the fire. This, it is said, forced the four story wall to give way and collapse. The force behind the wall was as strong as though an explosion had occurred. Apparently maddened by the death of their chief, who was popular in the department, firemen threw themselves recklessly into the work of clearing away the fallen wall. More than 50 men dropped from exhaustion and were carried back from the intense heat of the burning warehouse.

Burned All Day. Despite the work of many engine crews, the fire continued to burn stubbornly all day and night. Thousands of people thronged into the stock yards, and the police kept spectators back from the danger line with great difficulty.

Not since the days of the Triquetra theatre tragedy, which, like the disaster today, was a holiday time horror, have such pathetic scenes attended a fire in Chicago. The bodies of lost more than half their crews, while other companies suffered less severely.

At the same time a meeting was held at the Chicago club at which wealthy business men started a relief fund. Theatre managers also prepared to hold benefit performances.

TO PROBE ALBERT SCHOOL DIFFICULTY

Chief Superintendent Carter Will Visit Riverside Today—Rev. G. M. Love Injured In Driving Accident.

Albert, Dec. 22.—Rev. G. H. Love while on his way to attend services yesterday was thrown from his carriage and sustained a number of bad cuts about the head as well as fracturing his wrist. The accident was caused by the slowing of the carriage on the icy roadway. Mr. Love is being attended by Dr. Atkinson and will be laid up for some time. Word was received here today that W. S. Carter, the chief superintendent of education, would arrive here tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of conducting an investigation into the difficulty at the Riverside school.

NORTHCOTE TO AMERICANS

London, Dec. 22.—Lord Northcote, who as governor general of Australia, welcomed the American warships on their round the world cruise, presided tonight at the dinner of the Anglo-Saxon Club given in honor of the officers of the United States Atlantic fleet now at Gravesend.

He spoke of the hospitality which he had received in America when he was a young diplomat and complimented the fleet on its splendid maneuvers in Australian waters. Rear Admiral Thomas B. Howard commanding the division, said in reply: "There is not an officer or man in the fleet who will ever forget the welcome we received in Australia. There is not one who will ever forget the welcome we have been given in the Mother Country."

10 Shares Of Preferred Stock of The A. E. Hamilton Co., Ltd. I am instructed to sell at Chubb's Corner on Saturday morning, Dec. 24, at 12 o'clock.

POTTS For Sale That two story brick dwelling house situate at No. 162 Germain street, and formerly occupied by the late Dr. J. H. Scammell—City leasehold.

Timber Merchants Notice Standing Timber By Auction. I am instructed by Wm. H. and Frederick K. Adams, to sell by Public Auction, at Chubb's Corner, Saturday morning, Dec. 24, at 12 o'clock, noon.

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Fire Department 140 Tons Best Upland Hay, in pressed bundles. 4000 bushels Ontario Best White Oats 35 Tons Oat Straw, 20 Tons Wheat Bran.

Water and Sewerage Dept. 12000 Bushels Best White Oats, 2 Tons Wheat Bran, 3 Tons Pressed Upland Hay, 20 Tons Loose Upland Hay, 3 Tons Oat Straw.

Public Works Department. 3500 Bushels Best White Oats, 4 Tons Wheat Bran, 10 Tons Pressed Upland Hay, 20 Tons Loose Upland Hay, 5 Tons Oat Straw.

The above supplies to be delivered at the various stables in such quantities and at such times as ordered by the Director of Public Safety or City Engineer for their respective departments, and all to be subject to their inspection and rejection, or that of any other officers appointed by them, and to be weighed as may be ordered. The city reserves the right to increase or diminish the quantities here-in estimated by ten per centum. Each tender to be accompanied by a certified bank cheque, payable to the City of Saint John, for five per cent of its amount. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. ADAM P. MACINTYRE, Comptroller.

Scotch Splint Coal Another 100 tons of this celebrated Coal landing, part cargo sold in ten days. Better secure same at once. JAMES S. MCGIVERN, Agt., Tel. 42, 5 Mill and 331 Charlotte Sts.

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MISS G. EMERSON WINS PARKER MEDAL West Side Girl Winner After Some Misunderstanding Full Programme for High Closing This Morning.

The Parker silver medal will be awarded today to the High School to Miss Gussie Emerson of St. John West in this medal competition there was some misunderstanding as to the scholars eligible for the award. The papers were sent to Fredericton for examination, and Dr. Bridges received them yesterday afternoon with the result as stated, that the medal goes to Miss Emerson.

The city schools will close today for the Christmas vacation and in most cases there will be exercises appropriate to the occasion. In the High school an excellent programme has been prepared. The pupils will assemble in the Assembly Hall, medals will be presented, addresses will be delivered by a number of prominent citizens, and there will be a programme by the scholars. The programme will commence at 11 o'clock sharp, and the presentation of medals will take place at 11.45. The programme is as follows: Recitation, "Song of the Shepherds"—Merlin Harding, Grade X. Essay, "Christmas Dishes"—Ruth Marks, Grade IX. Overture, "Titania" (Hilth)—H. S. Orchestra. Recitation, "The Little Christmas Tree"—Ruth Foster, Grade IX. Solo, "Santa Claus"—Valde Fenton, Grade X. Essay, "Christmas Folklore"—Willis Jones, Grade XI. "Morris Dance" (German)—H. S. Orchestra. Presentation of prizes. Waltzes, "Thousand and One Nights" (Strains)—H. S. Orchestra. God Save the King. Speeches will be delivered by Mayor Frink, Recorder Baxter, Hon. J. G. Forbes, Hon. J. E. Mills, Rev. R. A. Armstrong, W. F. Halliday, General W. S. Fisher and R. B. Emerson, chairman of the Board of School Trustees. Medals will be awarded as follows: Corporation gold medal for best marks in grade XI, Miss M. Lingley; Parker silver medal for mathematics, Miss Gussie Emerson; Governor's gold medal for best marks in grade X, Miss Grace M. Young; Portnightly prize of books for highest standing in grade IX, Miss Amber Teed; Chairman's gold medal for best marks in the entrance examinations, Miss Monica McGrath; Hon. J. Y. Ellis silver medal for the best English essay in grade XI, Miss Vega Gronlund.

OLDEST CUTTER IN SERVICE MAKES GOOD The Woodbury Draws Schooner Alice P. Turner Off Rocks And Tows Her Into Rockland, Maine.

Rockland, Me., Dec. 22.—That the cutter Woodbury, oldest of the vessels in the revenue cutter service, has not outlived her usefulness despite her 64 years, was shown tonight when she arrived here, with the Stoughton, Cont schooner on the ice, when she had saved from the rocky ledges at York Narrows, near Stonington in Penobscot Bay. The rescue was effected last night during a blinding snowstorm which made the work of the Woodbury's blue jackets doubly difficult.

FROZEN TO DEATH. New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Skaters on Great South Bay near Patchogue, L. I., this afternoon, stumbled on the body of George Brown, lying face downward on the ice. Two men nearby found an abandoned iceboat in which lay the rigid body of Raymond Strong, a 15 year old boy. The craft had thrown its pilot, Brown, who apparently lay unconscious on the ice until dead, and the terrified lad had remained with the derelict at the mercy of the wind until he too, was frozen.

PERSONAL. J. R. Clark, General Manager of the Edward Partington Pulp and Paper Company, accompanied by Mrs. Clark, sails today on the Hesperian for England. Mr. Clark's business is in connection with the proposed paper mill at Union Point. Miss Gertrude McCaffery arrived yesterday from the Memorial College to spend the holidays with her parents on Cliff street. John I. Robinson of Sydney is in the city to spend the holidays and is renewing his many acquaintances.

Arrested in Market. Yesterday afternoon Robert Ross was given in charge by Clerk Howe of the city market for interfering with him in the performance of his duty. When Policeman Written placed the man under arrest, there was quite a tussle during which the prisoner made his escape and ran along Charlotte and Princess streets to Sydney street where he was overtaken by the officer and taken to the police station. Ross is also charged with being obscene. The prisoner was allowed out last evening on making a deposit of \$25.

ARCHBISHOP IMPROVING. Toronto, Dec. 22.—Dr. John Kidd, secretary of Archbishop McVay, stated today that His Grace had had a good night and his condition was slightly improved this morning.

WOMAN MADE NO ADVANCE IN PRICE OF MILK Kings County Association Make This Decision at Annual Meeting Held at Apohaqui—New Officers Elected

Apohaqui, Dec. 22.—The annual meeting of the Kings County Milk Producers' Association was held in the public hall here yesterday, there being a large attendance. George Raymond, of Bloomfield, the president, occupied the chair.

After the reception and adoption of the reports of the cattle and dairy inspection committees, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President—Geo. Raymond, of Bloomfield. Vice-President—A. D. Freeze, of Penobscus. Secretary-treasurer—John Raymond, of Bloomfield. Executive—A. D. Freeze, Penobscus; R. J. Huggins, North; E. A. Schofield, Hampton; Geo. Raymond, Bloomfield; Jas. Manchester, Apohaqui; J. Frederick Roach, Sussex; A. L. Adair, Apohaqui; R. R. DeMille, Lakeside; J. A. Floyd, Bloomfield; Harry Creighton, Sussex.

After a discussion on the position of the association and the prospects for the future, it was decided to make no advance in the price of milk at the present time. It was pointed out that as a result of the activities of the association, the milk producers had gained four important points, namely an advance of 5 cents a can in the price of milk, a uniform 8 quart can, an improved system of washing cans, and free inspection of dairy herds.

CARETAKER'S GRAVE FOUND TO BE EMPTY Identification Of Body Found In Barrel At Montreal Confirmed By Investigation At Jarvis—McSorley Arrested.

Jarvis, Ont., Dec. 22.—The grave of Matthew Johnston, caretaker of the Presbyterian church at Jarvis, who died November 16, was opened this morning and found to be empty. There seems to be no doubt now that the body found in a barrel at Montreal yesterday was that of Mr. Johnston, and that it was stolen from the ground. John McSorley, arrested yesterday in connection with the case, still maintains that he shipped the barrel to Toronto at the request of a stranger. A Mrs. Smithson, who lives across the road from the Presbyterian cemetery, declares she saw Mr. McSorley enter the cemetery with a wheelbarrow about a month ago, but McSorley denies it was he whom the woman saw.

SAILOR, MAKING BED, CAUSED EXPLOSION Washington, Dec. 22.—Coal gas ignited by a match, was the cause of the explosion on the battleship North Dakota at Portland, Eng., Dec. 4th, according to the findings of a board of inquiry appointed by Captain Albert Gleaves.

ATTACK ON ARMY POT COLLECTORS Spokane, Wash., Dec. 22.—John Doe warrants for sixteen Salvation Army Santa Clauses and kettlemen who have been soliciting Christmas funds from the streets were issued today by a police magistrate.

DE ORO DEFEATED New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—John Daly, of Chicago, wrenched the three cushion billiard championship of the world from Alfred De Oro, the Cuban tonight in the final block of their 150 point game. The total score for the three nights' play was, Daly, 150; De Oro, 120.

CINCINNATI FIRE. Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Four charges of dynamite exploded in rapid succession today, failed to move the north wing of the Griesel Pfeiffer and Company's plant, consumed in the fire early Wednesday in which three lives were lost, and six men injured.

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NO ADVANCE IN PRICE OF MILK Kings County Association Make This Decision at Annual Meeting Held at Apohaqui—New Officers Elected

Apohaqui, Dec. 22.—The annual meeting of the Kings County Milk Producers' Association was held in the public hall here yesterday, there being a large attendance. George Raymond, of Bloomfield, the president, occupied the chair.

After the reception and adoption of the reports of the cattle and dairy inspection committees, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President—Geo. Raymond, of Bloomfield. Vice-President—A. D. Freeze, of Penobscus. Secretary-treasurer—John Raymond, of Bloomfield. Executive—A. D. Freeze, Penobscus; R. J. Huggins, North; E. A. Schofield, Hampton; Geo. Raymond, Bloomfield; Jas. Manchester, Apohaqui; J. Frederick Roach, Sussex; A. L. Adair, Apohaqui; R. R. DeMille, Lakeside; J. A. Floyd, Bloomfield; Harry Creighton, Sussex.

After a discussion on the position of the association and the prospects for the future, it was decided to make no advance in the price of milk at the present time. It was pointed out that as a result of the activities of the association, the milk producers had gained four important points, namely an advance of 5 cents a can in the price of milk, a uniform 8 quart can, an improved system of washing cans, and free inspection of dairy herds.

PICTURES WORTH SEEING. F. H. Miles' Christmas exhibit of paintings in the St. John Art Club studio, 140 Union street, is a particularly attractive one and worthy of critical inspection by art lovers. Mr. Miles is so well known that it should be only necessary to say he has a collection of paintings on view, to secure a visit from all who appreciate good work; while everybody knows there could be nothing more beautiful or more appropriate for a Christmas gift than a picture, and Mr. Miles' pictures are the kind that would be appreciated by anyone receiving them. Perhaps the gem of the collection is Low Tide, Carlston. Mr. Miles is always happy in his marine views, and a local picture always has a value of its own. There are in the collection several others of scenes in and about St. John. Altogether the exhibition is a particularly good one and should be inspected.

DOUGLAS-SWEENEY. Albert Douglas and Miss Nellie Mason Sweeney were married last evening by Rev. G. D. Milbury at No. 5 Prospect street. They were united and the wedding was attended only by the relatives of the contracting parties. The groom is employed as exchange foreman in the New Brunswick Telephone Company, and they will reside at 254 Main street.

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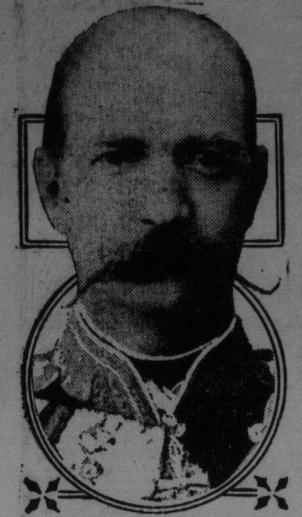
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KING GEORGE PLANS REFORMS



Rome, Dec. 22.—King George of Greece has a new claim upon the gratitude of the people of his kingdom by ordering his government to reform the prisons of Greece which are among the worst in the world. Even in the capital, Athens, one may every day witness barbarities which one would expect to meet only in semi-savage countries.

In the very heart of the city of Athens is a large and rambling building where prisoners are kept to await their trial. Here in cellars, the windows of which are on a level with the pavement, languish for indefinite periods suspects of all classes and ages. Herded together, these unfortunate men peer through the windows at the curious spectators, without sustenance or means to obtain it they climb to the level of the street, and thrusting their hands through the bars impudently the passers by for alms. Children and old men, sick and hale are it appears thrust together in a place of common confinement. There the healthy become diseased, some of the weaker prisoners die, and the innocent are initiated into the knowledge of vice.

Chamber of Horrors.

This chamber of horrors, which is passed every day by hundreds of Greeks, has now had public attention drawn to it by a tragedy which caused King George to take prompt action. A suspect was one morning found dead. It is true that the man suffered from consumption, but the autopsy showed that no food had been taken by the unfortunate man for at least twenty-four hours. Inquiry elicited the fact that the time passed without nourishment was probably far greater. "Five days' fasting," one newspaper declared, but probably three would be nearer the truth. It appeared that the contractor had neglected his part of the bargain. The guards were aware of the case, but cynically declared they had no money to buy food with. Certainly to a citizen of northern Europe the methods of the police do seem to be altogether barbarous. For example, it is a common sight in Athens to see small boys of ten and twelve years old, their arms tightly bound to their small bodies by clothes lines, marched through the streets by policemen with bayonets fixed. After they reach the prison to which I have referred the period passed in awaiting trial is a long one. The general public there seems to see nothing barbarous in the infliction of pain.

MR. FIELDING BETTER.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Hon. W. S. Fielding will return to Ottawa this evening. He is reported to have greatly improved. Hon. Mr. Fielding will remain at Ottawa until after the first of the year, when he will go to Washington to resume the trade negotiations.

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DENTIST TO RIVER WENT TO

Terrible Scenes at Philadelphia Holocaust—Firemen Pinned Down by Walls—Great Fight to Save Men.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—After an all night search in the ruins of a leather factory, it is thought that the number of firemen and policemen killed by falling walls is under twenty. John O. Baxter, chief of the fire department who had a narrow escape from death, said that his report shows that fourteen firemen lost their lives. He says however, that his reports are not complete. Superintendent of police John Taylor believes the number of dead will reach twenty. Up to 5 a. m. twelve bodies had been taken from the ruins.

The work of digging into the ruins is exasperatingly slow. This is due principally to the extremely cold weather, which freezes the wet ruins into an almost solid mass. It was one of the coldest mornings of the year, and the rescuers suffered severely in the wintry weather. Lying face down with tons of bricks less than a foot above his head and with his lower limbs pinned to the pavement, William Glazer, a member of engine company No. 6, at daylight held frequent conversation with the scores of firemen and policemen who were straining every effort to reach the machinery which held the unfortunate man a prisoner.

Brother firemen of Glazer were able to crawl beneath the debris and provide him with stimulants to make him as comfortable as possible. A huge tarpaulin was dragged into the narrow passageway to the helpless fireman and spread about his body to keep his clothing from becoming saturated by the water, which was being thrown upon the smouldering ruins.

Glazer, unless some of the ruins fall on him probably will be taken out alive in a few hours. Some of the bodies removed from the debris, were so badly burned, that the limbs dropped off. When the body of assistant fireman Fred Callibe was taken from the ruins it was without the head, the foreman being recognized by his uniform.

Some of The Dead.

The identified dead:—Patrick Carroll, truck No. 7; George Mackinsky, truck No. 7; William Belmont, truck No. 1; John F. Carroll, engine company No. 6; Fred Kalborer, engine company No. 6; Thomas Entwistle, engine company No. 21; Harry Bertolet, engine company No. 29; Robert Stuart, fireman, died in hospital; Charles Edleman, engine company No. 6; Wm. McConnell, engine company No. 23.

The number of firemen and policemen injured will total nearly fifty, of whom several may die. The injured are scattered in about a dozen hospitals.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—(Later)—Fireman Glazer who was pinned under debris, was rescued at 11.29 a.m., after having been held helpless by heavy timbers for thirteen hours. He was conscious and was rushed to a hospital. The doctors said he could not live as both legs are broken. He has internal injuries and there are contusions all over his body. The police at this hour said thirteen were known to be dead.

Investigation Carried On.

John Lattimer, chief fire marshal, after an all day investigation, expressed the belief that the fire started in the office on the first floor of the factory. He was unable to give the cause. Rumors of probable inflammation, he said, would be thoroughly investigated. The factory building was 58 years old, and expert building inspectors declare that the age of the walls had something to do with their sudden collapse. Edward Clark, chief of the bureau of building inspection, said the walls collapsed because of their age, and the manner of their construction. The mortar, he said, was so old that a little heat converted it practically into powder, so that it had no adhesive power. Then the girders and beams were of wood and burned out quickly, taking away the only support of the walls. Mr. Clark agreed with many others in saying the firemen should not have entered the building after the girders were ablaze.

Director of Public Safety Henry Clay, said that he had often impressed upon firemen that when they are working on an old building, it is far better to save their lives than to try to save it.

A movement has already been started for the relief of the families of the dead men. This afternoon the city council passed resolutions of sympathy and Mayor Reyburn has called a meeting of the citizen permanent relief committee for tomorrow. Besides the funds to be raised by this committee and by private subscription, the families and minor children of the firemen and policemen killed, will be provided for by the police and firemen's pension funds.

Leave Families.

Nearly all the men left families. John Collins, fireman, leaves a widow and six young children; Harry Bertolet, fireman, leaves seven motherless children, and some of the other victims left widows and two or three children.

The case of Bertolet is very pathetic. His father, who lives at a soldiers' home, had come home to the son's house to spend Christmas with him and his grandchildren, whose mother died 19 months ago. Every thing about the house were evidences of preparations for the coming of Santa Claus, and even after their father's death the children, who range from less than two years to ten, talked of the expected visit of the mythical one.

The records of the police and fire departments show that 100 firemen, sixty policemen and ten police surgeons were engaged in the work of rescuing Wm. Glazer. It took six gallons of oxygen, two quarts of Jamaica ginger, three plates of whiskey, strychnine and other drugs, rubber smoke hood, two rubber tubes, a suction pump, many picks, shovels, axes, saws, crowbars and other tools and twelve hours time to bring him out alive.

INVESTITURE OF BOSTON BISHOP'S GIRL



His R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.

London, Dec. 22.—The work of selecting the committee which is to undertake the arrangements for the investiture of the Prince of Wales at Carnarvon Castle next July has practically been concluded by the Duke of Norfolk and his advisers. In the course of a few days the list of distinguished names will be handed to the King for his approval. A fortnight or so later the committee will hold its first meeting.

No amateur advice from the committee will be needed regarding the training of the ritual for the actual ceremony, which will be exclusively the work of the earl marshal, the college of arms and finally of His Majesty himself, who as all the Empire knows, is an accomplished student of heraldry and historic ritual.

For the investiture of the Prince of Wales there are few precedents to refer to, but it was stated recently on the best authority that the Carnarvon ritual will be largely based upon that for the ceremony which took place at Westminster on the occasion of the investiture of the Black Prince in 1343.

In many ways, however, the ceremony will be modernized. It is understood that the Queen will take an important part in the ceremony. Among other suggestions which will be made to the committee of arrangements is one that the Welsh bards should be present.

The prince recently celebrated his 16th birthday at the Royal Palace. During one of the recent hunts he captured more game than any one in the party. He is an admirer of horses, like his grandfather, the late King Edward, and takes an interest in the national sports of England.

Though young in years, he has many of the traits of his father and promises before many years to become one of the most popular members of the court.

LONDON POLICE HELD IN HIGH ESTEEM

Many Floral Tributes at Funeral of Three Members of Force Slain While on Duty—King Sends Representative

London, Dec. 22.—A public funeral was given today to the three police officers who were shot down by Russian terrorists whom they had frustrated in an attempt at burglary last Saturday night. St. Paul's Cathedral where the service was held, was crowded, the throng including representatives of King George and of the Cabinet. The Lord Mayor and the sheriffs of London attended in full state regalia.

The esteem in which the police of London are held was shown by the hundreds of floral pieces sent by all classes of society and by the enormous crowds that thronged the route of the procession from the cathedral to the cemetery. Although hundreds of Scotland Yard men are searching for them night and day, the murderers are still at large.

DELAY IN AWARDED QUEBEC BRIDGE TENDERS

Commissioners Divide on Question, Two Favoring Canadian Co., While Third Wants British Contract.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—A difference of opinion is stated to have developed among the commissioners of the Quebec bridge over the awarding of the contract for the structure. Two of the commissioners are understood to favor the acceptance of the Canadian tender which is made by the Canadian Bridge Company, of Walkerville, and the Dominion Bridge Company, of Lachine, working in combination.

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SPIES FOUND GUILTY.

Leipzig, Germany, Dec. 22.—The court room was cleared of spectators today when the testimony of military experts was introduced in the trial of Captain Trench and Lieutenant Brandes, the English naval officers charged with espionage upon the fortifications of Borkum. Even the British representative was excluded, though the crown attorney had requested that he be admitted.

Captain Trench and Lieutenant Brandes, were found guilty and sentenced each to four years' imprisonment in a fortress.

Pathetic Letters of Little Children to Santa Claus—Suffrage Happenings in the Modern Athens.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 16.—A hot air notice in a Boston daily newspaper is to the effect that some one has measured the thickness of the film of a soap bubble, and reports that it is one 2,500,000th part of an inch. This information will inevitably add greatly to the progress of our civilization. The bubble is not half so thin, however, as some of the statements made by a certain estimable governor elect regarding the senator whom he hopes to displace.

A Boston newspaper which with the aid of its readers annually plays the part of Santa Claus to the poor children of the city, is receiving its usual flood of missives multiplied many fold this season. The continued and extreme cold weather has played havoc with the children of the poor, and the reporters on their rounds of investigation meet with heartrending scenes. Quaint notes from little ones, addressed to the Santa Claus Editor, are a frequent feature of the paper, and are turned over to interested subscribers for personal attention. Last year many hundreds of readers of the paper took one or more of the little notes and played the part of Santa Claus themselves, thereby making their own Christmas doubly happy. The offices of the newspaper are a sight for a few days before Christmas as everything from tin horns and stockings, from bags of candy to baskets of provisions, are sorted out and consigned to those sources where investigation has proved they will be most welcome. A lately pathetic example of some of the little notes which are received by the busy editor, is one from a little suburban girl:

"Dear Santa Claus—I write you this letter to let you know, my 3 sisters and I would like some toys for Christmas. My mother is not working and my father is in the insane asylum for 5 years. My sisters are Francis 5, Mattie 8, Mary 10 and Josephine 12 years.—Josephine"

Another little tot explains that her papa can't give Santa any money this year, because "he has to pay the baby's way to Heaven."

Any New Englander who has been at Provincetown or elsewhere on Cape Cod in the winter season will rejoice that the movement for establishing a pension system for retiring life savers who have past the best part of their lives in this work has received a new impetus. These brave fellows, who risk their lives and the support of their families on a moment's notice of danger to others are miserably under-paid, their meagre sixty-five dollars a month being barely enough to support their families, to say nothing of saving anything for their old age. The only just recognition of their faithful services would be to see that they should not want for the comforts of life after they reach the age where their strength is not equal to the task of facing the angry waters. The movement for this pension has been strongly upheld in Boston, where the terrors of the "break and rock-bound coast" bring home to many people the peril which attends the life-saver's work.

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BRADWARDINE, MAN, WIPED OUT BY FIRE

Mail Orders Have Our Personal Attention.

Bradwardine, Man., Dec. 22.—The business portion of this town was wiped out by a fire which started early this morning in Ortenburg's general store, and spread to the adjoining property with great rapidity. Among those who were burned out, are:—Ortenburg's general store; F. & J. Shields, hardware; Massey Harris warehouse; Bank of Hamilton; R. Common's general store and Beaver lumber offices and lumber yards. The only business place left standing is a restaurant and drug store.

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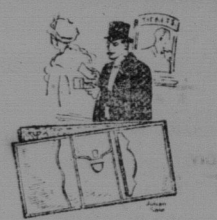


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AUSTRALIA'S CONFERENCE PROPOSALS.

The Australian Government is well to the fore with a list of resolutions which will be offered at the Imperial Conference next summer. Full details of the proposals are yet lacking, but the information already to hand indicates that the subjects which the Commonwealth will submit for discussion are of general interest.

The proposals include suggestions for uniform company laws throughout the Empire; uniform trade marks and patent legislation; a declaration in favor of mutual naturalization, subject to the local immigration law, and a declaration in favor of a State-owned Atlantic cable between Canada and Great Britain, in order to secure control of an All-Red cable route.

There are also two proposals described as follows:—
"The rejection of Articles 48 to 54 of the Declaration of London and the omission of foodstuffs from Article 24."

"The reaffirmation of the 1907 Immigration Resolution, and also the co-operation of the Imperial Government with the Dominions in assisting suitable emigrants, and the nomination of representatives of the Dominions on the Emigrants' Information Committee."

With regard to the mutual naturalization proposal, that is to say, a proposal for legislation making a naturalized citizen of any portion of the Empire a citizen of the whole Empire, that matter was brought before a previous Imperial Conference by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and was among the unfinished business when the Conference rose.

The resolution in regard to emigration from Great Britain adopted by the Imperial Conference of 1907, which is the one referred to above, is as follows:—
"That it is desirable to encourage British emigrants to proceed to British Colonies rather than foreign countries; that the Imperial Government be requested to co-operate with any Colonies desiring immigrants in assisting suitable persons to emigrate."

As to the Declaration of London, Article 48 of that agreement, concluded in February of last year among the naval powers, lays it down that a neutral vessel which has been captured in war-time may not be destroyed by the captor, but must be taken into port for the determination of all questions concerning the validity of the capture. Articles 49 to 53 deal with the exceptions to this rule, i.e., when its observance would involve danger to the safety of the captor or to the success of the operations in which she is engaged; and Article 54 gives the captor the right to take or destroy any goods liable to condemnation found on board a vessel not herself liable to condemnation, provided the circumstances are such as would, under Article 49, justify the destruction of a vessel herself liable to condemnation.

The powers represented at the conference which was held upon the invitation of the British Government, and resulted in the Declaration of London, were Great Britain, the United States, France, Germany, Austria, Japan, Spain, Russia, Italy, and Holland. The British delegates admitted foodstuffs to the list of articles which, under certain conditions, may be contraband, that is, liable to seizure in war-time. The list is set forth in Article 24 of the Declaration.

CONCERNING POLITICAL HOSPITALITY.

The people of Canada have been frequently reminded, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser, of the hospitality of British electorates, in accepting Canadians and other colonials as their candidates. This commendation is well deserved. Canada has contributed to British public life such representatives as Mr. Blake, Sir Bonar Law, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. McMaster, Sir Gilbert Parker, Mr. Dowlis, Dr. Macnamara and several others. There is also a long list of Australian and New Zealand native-born who have been prominent in the British Parliament. The native races of India have also found the door of the House of Commons open to them. Many naturalized natives of foreign countries have seats in that chamber. This does not seem exclusive.

But why should the liberality of the British electorate be mentioned as in contrast to the spirit of the Canadian people? Canada does not confine her legislative trust to her native-born, else would she never have had Sir John A. Macdonald, Alexander Mackenzie or Sir Mackenzie Bowell for premiers, or George Brown as a leader before Confederation. Nor is this liberality an extinct grace. In the present House of Commons there are at least eight immigrants from England and Scotland, most of whom grew up and were educated in the Mother Country. This list may not be complete:—
A. C. Boyce, member for West Algoma, born in England, and moved to Canada when a young man.
R. S. Lake, member for Qu'Appelle, born in England, educated there and was a member of the British civil service.

Ralph Smith, member for Nanaimo, born in England, educated there, married, was engaged in many public activities before he came to Canada at the age of 34; was elected to the legislature six years after his arrival in Canada.
John Tolmie, member for North Bruce, born and educated in Scotland.
W. R. Smytho, member for West Algoma, born in Scotland.

William Theoburn, member for North Lanark, born in England, came to Canada with his parents at the age of ten years.

Dr. Michael Clark, member for Red Deer, born and educated in England, was in medical practice and also concerned in public activities in the Mother Country; came to Canada at the age of forty-one years and was elected to the House of Commons six years later.

Martin Burrell, member for Yale-Cariboo, born and educated in England, lived there to the age of twenty-seven years.

Besides those of British birth, there is in parliament at least one immigrant from the United States. W. W. Rutan, member for Prince Albert, was born in Minnesota. He came to Canada at the age of thirty-two years and was elected some years later.

The list of senators who are not Canadian born is longer. Senators Bostock and Bostock came from England, the former as a lad, the latter as a member of the English Bar. Mr. Bostock was elected to the House of Commons when he had been three years in this country. Senators Coffey, Kirchoffer, McMullen and Sullivan were born in Ireland. Scotland sent us Senators Douglas, Gibson, Jaffrey, Macdonald and Mackay, of whom two have been members of the Commons.

TOO MANY MOUTHS TO FILL.

One of the most distinguished of the statisticians in the service of the United States Government—Mr. William S. Rosster—has undertaken to furnish from his study of the statistics of that nation's growth an answer to the question, "What is the matter with us?" so often asked by those who are daily confronted by the serious problems arising from the advancing cost of the necessities of life.

His explanation, in brief, as it may be summarized from the pages of his article in the current issue of the Atlantic Monthly, is merely that the producing members of the population of the United States have not increased in anything like the same ratio as the consuming non-producers. In other words, there is less food to go around proportionately than in the early days of the nation, and a far greater number of mouths to feed.

In the last two decades about 25,000,000 were added to the population in the United States; there were that many more persons to be supported. But in the face of that additional drain upon the agricultural resources of the country there was an actual diminution in the supplies. Between 1890 and 1900 the population increased 26.7 per cent., but the number of neat cattle decreased over nine per cent. The supply not only failed to keep pace with the increase of population, but declined.

So also the figures show that the American citizen has increased more rapidly than the American pig. In 1850 there were 1301 hogs to each 1000 persons, but in 1900 the number was only 837 to each 1000 persons. So also with sheep, there were in 1900 only 325 sheep to each 1000 persons in the United States, against 924 to each 1000 persons in 1850.

The effect of this unequal distribution of population has been not only to intensify the competition for the products of agriculture, and hence advance the cost of living, but to augment the power of the corporation by increasing the number of wage earners. It has decreased an independent class which owes allegiance to no one, and it has increased the number of those who are dependent upon employers.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

Writers multiply, and of the making of books there is no end, but Dickens remains pre-eminent as the kindly interpreter of the Christmas spirit.

"There are many things from which I might have derived good by which I have not profited, I dare say," says Scrooge's nephew in answer to Scrooge's taunt, "Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come round—apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they were fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. Therefore, uncle," he concludes, "though I have never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that 'it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, 'God bless it!'"

If we all keep this festive season in the spirit of Scrooge's nephew there will be a wider and truer meaning in the familiar phrase "A Happy Christmas."

Current Comment

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

The Western farmers asked that, in order to get wheat free into the United States, Canada should admit free of duty a variety of United States products. But why should we take any action at all in the matter? If the Minneapolis miller's want our wheat free, let Congress abolish the duty, and the thing is done. The idea that we should pay in order to enable the United States to take off a duty that is objected to by citizens of that country seems to be somewhat extraordinary.

(New York Herald.)

A defaulting bank clerk charged with theft says a woman tempted him. In spite of the advances that have been made in almost every field of human endeavor there doesn't seem to have been much improvement in the excuse department since the year One.

(Pittsburg Dispatch.)

The important correction is made that the British snuffragettes did not knock Mr. Augustine Birrell down and kick him. They only knocked his hat off and kicked it about the sidewalk. This establishes the right of the snuffragettes to be classed as perfect ladies.

(Montreal Herald.)

What happened to the Farmers' Bank is another reminder, which ought not to be lost on bankers any more than on the people, that a bank consists of a little of its proprietors' money and a great deal of public confidence.

(London Free Press.)

Count De Lesseps, having determined to get married, is saying good-bye to the flying game. The count will henceforth aviate on the wings of love—in which there are sudden drops, also.

(Hamilton Spectator.)

Hon. Clifford Sifton speaks of men who were once his political friends. It looks as if the big conservation job he had tackled is really making a man of Cliff. Sif.

(Detroit Free Press.)

And when you come right down to it, the little ten-cent gift usually carries more genuine love with it than the twelve-dollar article.

(Boston Transcript.)

Great Britain stands pat now, but whether it will stand Patrick in what the home rulers are going to find out.



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The Standard's Old Reporter

"I see the St. John 'Thunderer' is turning its blunder buss upon the city council," said Uncle Hiram, as he leaned up against one of the telephone poles which Ald. Potts says should be put under ground, and Ald. McGoldrick says are already under ground 10 feet or more of them.

"What for?" says I.
"The Thunderer has been converted—that's what for."
"Not much," says Hiram, "the Thunderer never had any need of being converted from the kind of sins Dr. Torrey was worrying about. What I mean is that it has suddenly developed a surprising amount of faith in democracy."

"Who's he?" says I.
"His name is Pugsley and Pugsley and the C.P.R., everybody but the city fathers and the mayor. Yes, sir, the Thunderer is a great advocate of democracy today. But I never know it to get into a very alarming state of agitation over the fact that the democracy has been barred out of City Hall by a \$2,000 property qualification for aldermen. Nor has it been at all worried, because over 50 per cent. of the citizens usually don't get a chance to vote, because they don't have money to pay up their taxes after the strenuous winter port season, though they don't get let off from paying their taxes because they don't have the right to vote. Has the Thunderer heard any thunderbolts at the spirit of George III.? Has it thrown any fits because a large part of the citizens would be justified in starting a civic taxation without representation? Has it fought the battles of democracy in the past?"

"Search me," says I. "But I'll tell you the Thunderer is ready to fight for that Democrat to the hilt up at Ottawa."
"That is not the question before the house," says Hiram. "The question is who will be the civic oracle if Ald. McGoldrick does not fit in somewhere and if so, why should the people ring down the curtain on the comedy of the aldermanic debates?"
The Thunderer may be right. But 'tis a pity that the Thunderer has been very angry lately because the city fathers did not all fit in before that mighty potentate Pugsley and do his will on sundry occasions.

CHILDREN RESCUED BY WOMAN NEIGHBOR

Mrs. Charles DeLong Entered John Foster's House at Frederickton When Fire Broke Out—Presentations.

Frederickton, N. B., Dec. 22.—Firemen were called out last night for a small blaze in the residence of John Foster, King street, caused by a lamp used to thaw water pipes. Mr. and Mrs. Foster were temporarily absent at the time, and the fire was seen by Mrs. Charles DeLong, a neighbor. She thought of two children sleeping upstairs, and rescued them just in the nick of time, as the house was filling with smoke. The fire was extinguished without much damage.
The employees of the Hart shoe factory assembled at noon today and presented to Manager Reid and Superintendent DeLong handsome merrymaking pipes. At the same time they presented to foreman Daniel Looney a gold mounted umbrella and to George Chubbick a smoking gown.

Christmas Market.

With a fine showing of prize beef as well as all the seasonable delicacies in the line of turkeys, fowl, and poultry, and an elaborate decorative scheme in many of the stalls, the country market is taking on a real Christmas appearance. It is doubtful if a finer exhibit was ever made. Yesterday turkeys were selling at 27 and 28 cents a pound, and they could be bought as light as four pounds and as heavy as 23 pounds, a beautiful bird of this size being on exhibition in one of the stalls. The present prices will probably continue. Chickens sold for from 75 cents upwards, and geese from \$1.80 to \$2. The epicure will find in the market practically all the delicacies to be procured elsewhere, and can enjoy wild turkey, pigeons, quail, and many other toothsome morsels, if prepared to pay the price. The display of beef is a particularly attractive feature of the market this Christmas.

Pay Cheques.
The Christmas pay cheques for the L. C. R. were received yesterday. Salaried men receive pay for the full month of December, and others were paid for the first fortnight of the month.

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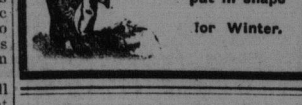
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LOGAN—In this city, on the 22nd inst., after a long illness, Harry Logan, in the 41st year of his age, son of Mary A. and the late James Logan, leaving besides his mother, one sister and a loving wife to mourn.
 Funeral Saturday, December 24, from his late residence, 398 Main street. Funeral service begins at 2.30 p. m. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.
SULLIVAN—In this city on the 22nd December, at his father's residence, 113 Mount Pleasant, Joseph A., aged 23 years, fourth son of Henry J. and the late Margaret Sullivan, leaving four brothers and two sisters to mourn.
 Funeral on Sunday, Dec. 25, at 2.30 p. m.
 There is nothing more appropriate as a gift for elderly people than a pair of glasses. We will sell glasses fitted with plain lenses including a guarantee for a thorough eye-test at any time after the holidays, and the supplying of proper glasses. BOYANER, Optician, 38 Dock St. Open evenings.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Donation of Five Tons of Coal
 Encourages Salvation Army Receipts from Pots Fell Off Yesterday—Contributions

The Salvation Army officers were much cheered yesterday in their relief work on receiving a further donation from the Robert Reford Co. Ltd., of five tons of Scotch coal.
 The receipts from the pots on Tuesday were very encouraging, but on Wednesday there was quite a drop in the amount collected.
 They are still much behind last year's total, and will be grateful to their friends if they will send in their contributions to the Salvation Army headquarters, Prince William street.
 The following is the list of donations to date—
 A.M.'s already acknowledged, \$163.50
 Geo. Dick 3.00
 H. H. Brink 1.00
 G. Armstrong 1.00
 H. W. Cole 5.00
 F. A. Kianear 2.00
 Dr. R. D. Walker 5.00
 G. U. Hay 2.00
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 H. J. Seammell 2.00
 A. D. Gibson 5.00
 F. E. Fairweather 2.00
 Total \$198.50

ORGANIZATION OF NEW COAL COMPANY

Atlantic Coal Co. Ltd. With Head Offices at Maccan, N. S., Launched at Meeting Here—Capital \$290,000.

The Atlantic Coal Company, Limited, for organization and election of officers in the offices of Powell & Harrison on Wednesday.
 By-laws were adopted and the following were elected directors: J. B. Shaffer, Halifax; J. P. Sherry, Miramichi; Thomas Nagle, P. M. O'Neill, Stanley E. Elkin, St. John; John H. Harris, Moncton, and W. S. Montgomery, Dalhousie. The directors will meet at a later date to elect officers.
 The company has been incorporated under Dominion letters patent with authorized capital of \$200,000, half of which is in seven per cent. preference stock and half in common stock. The head office is at Maccan, N. S. The Jubilee mines, formerly owned by the Empire Coal and Tramway Co., and later by J. P. Sherry, have been taken over and will be operated by the company. The mines are situated on the Maritime Coal, Railway and Power Co.'s branch line, three and a half miles west of Maccan. The property includes 640 acres, on which there are seven workable seams and a number of undeveloped seams. The plant is complete and has a present capacity of 100 tons a day. It is the intention to increase the production to 250 tons.
 During the summer the production can be shipped from the Joggins pier on the Bay of Fundy. A conservative estimate places the amount of coal available at fifteen million tons.
 There has already been a large sale of stock, and about sixty shareholders were represented at the meeting. The common stock is being issued as a bonus on the basis of one share to each share of preference stock.
 It is understood that the company has secured a contract with the Intercolonial Railway, which will ensure an immediate market for a large amount of their output. Recent tests have shown the coal to be of excellent quality and the directors are very confident of the success of the company.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of The Standard.
 Sir—I wish to express my thanks to Mr. Prescott for the trouble he has taken to give such a long detailed and painstaking confirmation of the main facts of the Albert county school case in my letter of the 13th December.
 I repeat my statement made at the hearing of the said letter that it was written merely to give a just account of the trouble to the reading public, in fairness to principal, teachers and the majority of the ratepayers. I have no wish to call forth more discussion of a matter that has already occupied too much space in the press.
 Yours,
 Albert N. B., Dec. 21st, 1910.

HOTELS.

Victoria.
 Arthur L. Noble, Fredericton; A. M. Damm, Hampton; R. Thompson, Sydney; A. G. Sterling, Sussex; G. Sherman, St. George; H. R. Crandall, Brownville Junction; E. S. Anderson and wife and children, Bridgetown; C. A. Noble, Brownville Junction; T. Vall, Hamilton; Sidney Billingham, London, Eng.; E. S. Wholpley, Moncton; F. S. Clinch and wife and children, Clinch's Mills; R. McKenzie, D. N. Murphy, McAdan.
Dufferin.
 S. M. Bosworth, Montreal; A. S. Moor, Sussex; Fred S. Lister, Chas. A. Gray, Fredericton; A. W. Gardner, Yarmouth; C. S. Williams and wife, Halifax; J. T. Ruzar, Chatham; C. J. Holmes, Chatham; C. B. C. F. Gunmer, Lennoxville; W. A. McKee, Kentville; Harry Winer, Boston; Chas. F. DeWitt, Bridgetown; Mrs. R. S. Saxton, Berwick, N. S.

I. C. R. Work Commenced.
 The I. C. R. commenced an important construction work on Wednesday. The preliminary work was begun for the constructing of a trestle siding, across the Marsh creek, which will be about 150 feet in length. It will extend across the creek from the new cattle sheds to the Victoria grounds, which will next year be converted by the owner, Ald. J. A. Likely, into timber yards. The I. C. R. will also construct three tracks which will run into these proposed timber yards. All this government work, it is expected, will be completed by next spring, when Mr. Likely will move to his new premises.

SIGNS OF PROGRESS

IN KING'S SHIRETOWN
 Interesting Course of Lectures Arranged—Consolidated School Introduces Many New Features—Insurance Losses

Hampton, Kings County, Dec. 21.—The Ladies Aid Society of the Hampton Methodist church, which recently came into possession of the old Masonic Hall and lot, on Main street, Hampton Station, are having the building thoroughly renovated and repaired. The work is being mainly done by gentlemen friends giving their afternoons in the evenings, while the ladies direct or busy themselves in the preparation of refreshments. All this is preparatory to a course of four lectures and a grand concert which is to form one of the leading attractions of the winter months. The first lecture will be delivered on Thursday, January 12, 1911, by the Rev. G. M. Campbell, D. D., on "Scotland and Scotchmen," with illustrations of Scotch minstrelsy. The second lecture, on Friday, February 3rd will be by A. Gordon Leavitt, the well known naturalist, who will talk on "Nature," and exhibit many examples to illustrate his remarks. On Friday, February 27, President of the Women's Canadian Club, St. John, Mrs. P. M. McAvity, will deliver her interesting story of her "Trip through picturesque Canada with a camera," and illuminate it with many beautiful photographs. The last lecture will be delivered on Friday, March 17, by the Rev. J. L. Batty, of Moncton, on "John Bull and His Neighbors." During Easter week there will be a grand vocal and instrumental concert, in which the best local and outside talent will take part. The tickets for the five functions are placed at one dollar, with the privilege of reserved seats at each lecture. The Hampton Consolidated school hold their closing exercises tomorrow afternoon with an interesting programme, to which the public are invited. One interesting feature of the school work is the publishing every month a very neatly printed magazine entirely edited by the pupils. The December issue contains much of interest. It may not be without general interest to note that the course of Physical Training, recently prescribed, is in full working order. This school, the principal having taken it in connection with the military course at Fredericton last summer, and Miss M. DeMills, teacher of grades VII and VIII, having taken the course at the Summer School of Science, which met at Liverpool, N. S. Singing by note has been interpolated for singing by rote, called for in the course of instruction, and in this Miss Beale Howard takes the work in grades I to VI, and Miss DeMille in grades VII and VIII. Another feature of the school is the debates which are carried on by the pupils of the High school, and these have elicited the commendation of many visitors and educationists. On the occasions when visits and debates are synchronized, next term they are going to organize a glee club out of material they may find among teachers and pupils of the schools from grade VII upwards.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Particularly the Programme Arranged for Sunday's Services in Centenary Church—Full List of Numbers.

Centenary church choir has prepared an especially good programme for Christmas Day. It is as follows:
 Morning Service.
 Organ, "Chorus of Shepherds, Gloria, Pastoral, Adoration (Adorned); Processional, Children's Choir, Good Christian Men Rejoice; Doxology; Inventory Prayer; Hymn No. 142; Opening Prayer; Anthem, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Sir Arthur Sullivan) Children and choir, with soprano obligato by Mrs. Crockett; First Scripture lesson; Chant No. 3; Second Scripture lesson; Children's choir, Christ Jesus Comes From Heavenly Height; Hymn No. 143; Offering; Organ, Cantique de Noël (Adam); Anthem, "The Innkeeper (Albert Ham); Tenor solo, by Ernest Bowman; Hymn, "Come All Ye Faithful, etc.; Sermon by the Rev. C. R. Flanders, D.D.; Children's choir, Martin Luther's Hymn, "Ave In A Majestaty; Soprano and quartette, "The Lord's Prayer" (from the 14th century) (M. Praetorius); Hymn No. 926; Benediction; Recessional; children's choir, "Once in Royal David's City"; Organ, "March From Lohengrin (Wagner). Evening Service.
 Organ, Pastoral from the Messiah (Handel); March of the Magi (Dubois); Doxology; invocatory prayer; German Carol Song; Soprano solo, Away in a Manger (Anderson), Mrs. Crockett; Hymn No. 139; Opening prayer; Sermon by the Rev. C. R. Flanders, D.D.; Tenor solo, Ernest Bowman; First Scripture lesson; Mixed quartette, "Christie and the Virgin (Barry Gow), with violin obligato by Mrs. Dempster; Hymn No. 146; Violin duet, "Salut d'amour (Elgar) by Mrs. Dempster and M. L. Harrison; Collection; Anthem, "O Heavenly, Soprano solo and quartette, Mrs. Crockett; Blessing is He that Cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hymn O Come All Ye Faithful; Sermon by the Rev. C. R. Flanders, D.D.; Baritone solo, "Night of Nights (Van de Water) D. B. Pidgeon; Hymn No. 141; Benediction; Chorus; Organ, "Hallelujah Chorus (Handel)."

OBITUARY.

William Johnson.
 Apohaqui, Dec. 22.—Wm. Johnson, one of the best known residents of this place, passed away at his residence on Monday morning. Mr. Johnson had been in failing health for some time, but death came suddenly and was a great shock to his family and friends. The immediate cause of his death was paralysis. Besides his wife, the deceased leaves four sons and two daughters to mourn their loss. The sons are George of Minnesota, Dr. Herbert of Boston, Howard of Port William, and Walter of St. John. The daughters are Mrs. Frank Smith of St. John and Miss Annie at home.
 Mr. Johnson was one of the most popular residents of this section and his death will cause a great deal of regret among all who knew him. The funeral will take place on Friday and interment will be made at the Berwick Methodist cemetery.
Joseph A. Sullivan.
 The death of Joseph A. Sullivan, fourth son of Henry J. Sullivan, 112 Mount Pleasant avenue, occurred yesterday at his father's residence. The young man who was in his 23rd year, had been working in New Hampshire and about a month ago contracted a severe cold which developed into pneumonia. He was laid up for two weeks but recovered sufficiently to enable him to come home. A few days ago he had a relapse and yesterday he passed away. Besides his father he leaves four brothers, William, James, Arthur and Donald, and two sisters, Lucille, who is matron in a Boston hospital and Margaret at home. Mr. Sullivan was very popular and there will be a general sympathy with his father and family in their untimely loss.
Harry Logan.
 Harry Logan, 398 Main street, died yesterday morning after four weeks' illness. He had been employed by Messrs. W. H. Thorne and Co. for some years, and only gave up work in February last. Besides his wife he is survived by his mother and one sister. Mr. Logan was a member of St. David's church, was most popular with all who knew him, and was a good father and husband. He was a painter and several creditable marine pictures. Heartfelt sympathy will be extended to the surviving wife and parents who must bear the sorrow during the festive season when others rejoice.

Married in Jersey City.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Castro, of Jersey City, arrived in the city last evening and will spend Christmas with Mrs. Castro's parents in the North End. They were married on Wednesday afternoon in Jersey City, the bride being Miss Myrtle Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Berry, of Victoria street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Craig of the Summit Avenue Baptist church. Mr. Castro is a well known lithographer of Jersey City.

Wife Beater in Court.

John McEulloch was told some unpleasant truths by Magistrate Bennett in the police court yesterday morning, and at the same time His Honor expressed the opinion that wife beater, such as McEulloch, should be sent to Dorchester. McEulloch, who is a frequent visitor to the court, was charged with beating his wife in his home on Queen street on Wednesday night, but as Mrs. McEulloch could not appear in court to testify against him, he was remanded. George Thomas was fined \$20 for assaulting William Carling.

Died from Injury.

George Peer, the longshoreman injured on Wednesday by falling down the hatch in the steamer Hesperian, died of his injuries in the hospital early yesterday morning.

FREE BERGARTEN

School Conducted at Marsh Bridge by Centenary Church Closed With Appropriate Ceremonies Yesterday.

The Marsh Bridge kindergarten which has been conducted by the Centenary church was closed yesterday morning for the Christmas vacation, and the exercises in connection with the closing were very pleasing. Twenty-five little ones were in attendance and there was a Christmas tree with the accompanying visit from Santa Claus.
 A splendid programme in which the pupils took part was followed by the distribution of gifts by Miss Balzley, who was assisted by Misses Leonard, Marjot, Turner, Julia Hennigar, Beale Nobles and Jessie Likely. Each girl was treated to a doll and each boy received a snow shovel, and all were given bags of candy, oranges and clothing. After the tree had been stripped, the children inspected their various presents and they joyfully left the hall on a two weeks' vacation.
 Among the visitors present besides the parents of the children were: Mrs. William Allison, Mrs. J. Hunt, Mrs. White, Mrs. J. A. Hunt, Mrs. P. Barnhill, Mrs. William A. Eckhart, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. J. D. Pollard, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. McKinnon, Mrs. J. A. McAvity, Mrs. Grace McDiarmid, Hughes Morgan and Rev. Dr. C. R. Flanders.
 The closing exercises, in the free kindergarten, which took place this morning when similar entertainments will be given for the children.

AMUSEMENTS.

The Harkins Repertoire.
 Seats are selling rapidly at the Opera House for the matinee and night performance of the W. S. Harkins Company, Monday. The bill for the holiday matinee will be the funny comedy "The Runaways," and in the evening the thrilling melodrama "For Her Sake." The latter part of the week the company will present the comedy drama "The Convict's Daughter." The play has an interesting plot. William Woodford, after having served fourteen years in prison, makes his escape; by chance he is recognized by James Blackadar, a villain, who is in love with Edith, the adopted daughter of Colonel Gordon (in command) to win Edith, Blackadar threatens to send the escaped convict back to prison unless he convinces Edith that she is his long lost daughter. Knowing the severe punishment meted out to escaped convicts in the event of their recapture, he consents and takes the girl from the beautiful home of her adopted father and places her in a wretched hovel. One day in reading the Bible given her by her mother, she finds a letter, written by her mother on her death bed. The letter tells the girl that she is the daughter of William Woodford. The latter, on discovering this, resolves to save his daughter at all costs from a marriage with Blackadar and goes to the prison, gives himself up. Years pass and Woodford becoming weary of prison life, determines to once more escape. He goes to the western mining camps and there, in a moment for whom crime he has been suffering all these years. The man is rich in money, but dying, and on his death bed confesses to the crime committed the crime and makes Woodford the heir to his fortune. A pardon is granted to Woodford for a crime he never committed, and his daughter, with whom he is now reunited, is given in marriage to Jack Warburton, who has been steadfast in his love through all her troubles.

WEDDINGS.

Fitzpatrick-Stackhouse.
 A very pretty wedding was solemnized last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Stackhouse, Prince street, West End, when their daughter, Miss Mabel Rachel, was united in marriage to Stanley Fitzpatrick, of the West End. The bride looked charming in a dress of white silk with allover lace and carried a shower bouquet of carnations and roses. Miss Alice Steart was bridesmaid and wore a dress of cream Panama cloth with sequin trimmings. The groom was supported by Sterling Stackhouse, brother of the bride. The wedding march was played by Miss Mildred Gifford. The ceremony was performed in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends, by Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, B. D. pastor of the First Baptist church of Amherst, and brother of the bride. The groom's present to the bride was a handsome fur set; to the bridesmaid a brooch set with pearls, and to the groomsmen a book of poems. The young couple are decidedly popular and the bride received many beautiful and costly presents. A dinner in-honour was served at the close of the ceremony.
 Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick will reside on the West Side. A large circle of friends will wish them every happiness in their married life. The groom is a member of the mechanical staff of The Standard.

THE COURTS.

Before Chief Justice Barker in chambers yesterday morning, the pleadings in the case of J. J. McGaffigan vs. the Westport Fruit Company, Ltd., were read. The plaintiff asks for a decree to compel the defendant to take away a wall between the properties of both parties, situated on Dock street. The defendant claims that the structure is a party wall. The case will likely be tried some time next week. St. G. Todd, K. C., appears for the plaintiff and Amos A. Wilson, K. C., and J. King Kelley for the defendant.
 Argument of counsel in the case of the executors of the last will and testament of Peter Smith, late of Clover Valley, Simonds vs. the City of St. John, was presented in the King's bench division before Mr. Justice McKee, Dr. W. B. Wallace, K. C., and John A. Simair appeared for the claimant and Recorder Baxter, K. C., for the city.
 His Honor signed a number of summonses for direction.
Interesting Case.
 Before Judge Forbes in chambers the evidence taken under commission in England in the case of St. Williams and Co. of Liverpool vs. DeWitt Bros. Ltd., was read. Two witnesses were examined for the plaintiff, Mr. Mersereau and Ald. McLeod. The plaintiffs closed their case and adjournment was made until next Thursday. This is an action for balance due on a sale of hay. The amount involved being \$95. Sometime ago the plaintiffs purchased hay from the defendants. The defendants drew on the plaintiffs for the amount and the draft was paid. When the hay reached its destination the plaintiffs found that the bales had been made up under the Canadian standard instead of the English standard as they understood when buying. The defendants claim it was understood that they were to use the Canadian standard. The sum sued for represents the difference. F. R. Taylor for the plaintiffs and W. A. Ewing, K. C., for the defendants.
Thistle's Curling.
 There will be a special meeting of the Thistle curling club in the rink this evening at 7.30 o'clock for the purpose of electing several new members and transacting such other business as may come up.

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 When you see the batch of beautiful snow-white loaves, with their soft, evenly-textured crumb and dainty golden-brown crust, you'll be proud of your success with PURITY Flour. When you taste and enjoy the superb flavor of such high-class bread you'll be prouder still.
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Nickel Attracting Large Crowds.
 The grand wind-up before the festive day of all the year will be marked by one of the most attractive bills the Nickel has yet been privileged to put on. In the first place the boys and girls who will be freed from school at 1 p. m. today will have a chance yet to see the humorous "The Wedding March" comedy, and a stirring Indian story the boys like so well. Emery Whitwell sings two numbers, and the orchestra as usual. Saturday afternoon Santa Claus will visit the audience, assisted by all his fellow players and gather the last letters from the children in the audience. On Monday the Nickel will be open at 10 a. m. to accommodate those who have other engagements for the afternoon and evening. Starting in the afternoon (two performances) Page and Morency, a high-class musical duo, will make their bow to St. John people, playing harps, violins, xylophones, etc., etc.

Travellers' Smoker.
 Arrangements for the big smoker next Wednesday evening in Keith's assembly rooms are well under way. As it is impossible to get the correct addresses of all the commercial travellers in the city, invitations are not being sent out, but the word is being passed along among the travellers that they all will be welcome. The programme of entertainment is about complete; some of the best local talent and among the commercial travellers are taking part. The speakers will be T. H. Estabrooks, His Worship the Mayor and Rev. G. M. Campbell.

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MANCHESTER LINERS

From Manchester to St. John Nov. 19. Mchstr Trader. Dec. 10. " Corporation Dec. 10. " Shipper Dec. 23. " Corporation Dec. 24. " Exchange Dec. 24. " Importer Jan. 7. " and weekly from Manchester thereafter.

HAVANA DIRECT S.S. Benedick, sailing Dec. 15. Steamer January 15.

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N. B. Southern Railway

On and after Sunday, October 9, 1910, trains will run daily, Sunday excepted, as follows: Lv. St. John East Ferry . . . 7:30 a. m. Lv. West St. John . . . 7:45 a. m. Arr. St. Stephen . . . 12:30 p. m. Lv. St. Stephen . . . 1:45 p. m. Arr. St. John . . . 6:25 p. m.

Furness Line

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For South African Ports S.S. "MONARCH" will sail from St. John about December 25th followed by S. S. "Kwara" about Jan. 20th.

S.S. "Benid" about Feb. 20th. S.S. "Merville" about Mar. 20th. S.S. "Benia" about April 20th.

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SHIPPING FINANCE

MOVE TO REDUCE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRAGE

New York Dec. 22.—Operations in the stock market today bore the familiar holiday aspect. Business was restricted even more than usually to the better known issues and in these fluctuations generally were so narrow as to rob them of any significance. The room was bearishly inclined, but the failure of pressure to bring out stocks during the early session caused the short interest to play warily. Several efforts were made to depress S. Steel, but that stock held firm above 72. Lehigh Valley held barely steady and the theory was advanced in some quarters that yesterday's increase in the dividend from 6 to 10 per cent. yearly, not only showed a lack of conservatism on the part of the new interest in control of that property, but might perhaps prove harmful to the cause of the railroad generally in their demands for increased freight rates.

Reading was under pressure the greater part of the day, falling over two points from the previous day's high level. Selling of this stock was said to come largely from Philadelphia sources and the failure of the directors to increase the dividend on the common shares yesterday was given as one of the reasons for the weakness.

The local traction stocks were dull and inclined to heaviness, presumably as a result of the latest high in the negotiations between the company and the city authorities. The increased reactionary tendency of the metal stocks was traceable more directly to the well known conditions prevailing in the copper market and reports that agents of the leading steel price concessions were generally credited.

Lowest prices of the day were recorded in the final hour and were accompanied by circumstantial rumors that the independent iron and steel companies were making further cuts in prices. It was semi-officially stated that the U. S. Steel Corporation contemplated shutting down more blast furnaces in the near future, and this move, it is believed, will be of brief duration.

American stocks were heavy in London and trading for that account in this market was less than nominal. Regarding the report that the local stock exchange is taking steps to abolish arbitrage operations between this market and London, it was learned today that no such step is contemplated, but that it is the intention of the local exchange, co-operation with London, to reduce such business to a more legitimate and practical basis.

Further gains in cash were made by local financial institutions and the easier money conditions were arrested in both call and time accommodations. Foreign exchange was a shade firmer and most remittances incidental to year end payments have now been made. The bond market was barely steady and less active, reflecting the market for stocks. Total sales, par value, \$2,337,000. U. S. bonds were unchanged.

MONTREAL AND BOSTON CURB SALES. Furnished by J. C. Mackintosh & Co., direct private wires.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

(Quotations Furnished by Private Wires of J. C. Mackintosh & Co. Members of Montreal Stock Exchange, 111 Prince Wm. Street, St. John, N. B., (Club's Corner.)

Table with columns: Shares, Prev. High, Low, Close. Includes Amalg. Copper, Am. Beet Sugar, Am. Tel. and Tele., Am. Steel Foundry, etc.

Mercantile Marine

DAILY ALMANAC. Friday, December 23. Sun rises . . . 8:08 a. m. High water . . . 4:40 a. m. Low water . . . 5:18 a. m. Atlantic standard time.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Thursday, Dec. 22. Steamer Lakonia, 3036, Black, from Glasgow, H. Reford Co., pass. and general cargo.

Departed Thursday, Dec. 22. Steamer Lakonia, 3036, Black, for Glasgow, H. Reford Co., pass. and general cargo.

British Ports. New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Sailed—Str Cassandra, St. John NB for Glasgow. Landed—Dec. 21—Arrived—Str Hilda (Nor.) St. John NB.

Foreign Ports. New York, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Sailed—Strs Lakonia, Havre; Rhein, Bremen; Pennsylvania, Hamburg; Voltura, Rotterdam.

PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Spring wheat flour is in good demand on local and country account, the trade being generally in car lots.

FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; seconds, \$5.10; winter wheats, patents, \$4.75 to \$5; Manitoba spring flours, \$4.80; straight rollers, \$4.35 to \$4.50; in bags, \$2 to \$2.05; extras, \$1.55 to \$1.75.

EGGS—Receipts of eggs were 50 cases, the market is active and prices strong with new laid quoted at 50 to 55 cents per dozen and selects at 32 cents per dozen.

WHEAT—Ontario wheat: No. 2 winter wheat, 85 cents to 86 cents outside, according to location; Manitoba wheat: No. 1 Northern, 98 1/2 cents; No. 2 Northern, 96 cents; No. 3 Northern, 93 1/2 cents.

MONTREAL

Morning Sales. Bell Telephone, 5 @ 142 1/2. Cement Common, 1 1/2 @ 23 1/4, 1 1/2 @ 21 1/2.

Afternoon Sales. Bell Telephone, 10 @ 143. Cement Common, 100 @ 23 1/4, 25 @ 23 1/4, 50 @ 23 1/4, 100 @ 23 1/4.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS

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CLOSING STOCK LETTER.

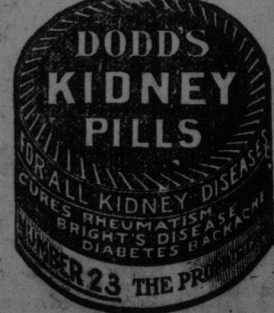
New York, Dec. 22.—So far as the financial public at large was concerned today's session of stock exchange might as well not have been held. The dealings were extremely small and narrow and such changes of price as occurred were attributed entirely to room trading element.

BANK CLEARINGS.

St. John, Dec. 22.—Clearings for the week ending Thursday, Dec. 22nd, 1910: \$1,513,355; corresponding week last year, \$1,622,414.

WELL DIGGER OVERCOME.

Onton Lake, Sask., Dec. 22.—A well digger named Gamble, recently from Regina, was overcome with gas at a depth of 70 feet while digging a well here yesterday. A fellow worker named Dixon, who went down to bring Gamble to the surface, was also overcome, but was hauled back to safety by a rope he had attached to himself. Gamble's body was recovered later by lowering an ice tong which gripped the dead man's clothing.



Curl... ROLLE... ROCK... BOSTON

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DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

Curling for Christmas

ROLLER AND ROCK MEET AT BOSTON MONDAY

Boston, Dec. 22.—That wrestling has been revived in New England and especially in Boston, is evidenced by the great interest shown in the match between Dr. Ben Roller and George Mackenschmidt, scheduled for Mechanics' building on next Monday night.

MONK CHOSEN AS CAPTAIN OF CORNELL

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Wm. E. Monk of Indianapolis left tackle of last year's Cornell eleven, was elected captain of the 1911 Cornell team recently. Monk was the only Cornell man picked for the All-American team. He is a junior in the mechanical engineering course and a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

The football men also voted in endorsement of the coaches, Daniel A. Reed, Barney O'Rourke and John Newhall, for next year. The "variety" was granted to nineteen players.

Hockey League Under Way

Wrestling Tonight

ARGENTINA AS SPORT CENTRE

Well Known Foreman Makes Trades in South America—Buenos Ayres a Veritable Sportsmen's Paradise.

New York, Dec. 22.—Thomas J. Carson of Lexington, Ky., who returned to this country yesterday as a passenger on the Hamburg-American line steamer the Amerika, brought back glowing accounts of the sportsman's paradise, which he said, was Buenos Ayres, the capital of the Argentine Republic. Mr. Carson is a breeder of thoroughbreds and owner of the Dixiana stud in Kentucky. He was returning from South America by way of Europe, having sold fifty-five thoroughbreds in South America.

SPECIAL HALL SECURED FOR WRESTLING

Sporting Editor St. John Standard: Sir:—I have been here for a few days and am pleased to say that the sport followers of this city are interested in our game of wrestling, as all I have met here wanted me to keep the game up.

I am now taking steps to secure a hall in the city, and in future will be able to bring all the best wrestlers to St. John.

The wrestling match at Carleton tonight will be a star bait. McDonnell is in the best of condition and will give Cyclone Burns a job. This match will be well worth seeing.

Thanking you for the space, I am, Yours truly, J. J. SAYER, Wrestling promoter.

5-TEAM HOCKEY LEAGUE FORMED LAST EVENING

Clubs Represented as Forecasted in the Standard—Series of Two Games Between Each Team Arranged

A New Brunswick hockey league was organized last evening at a meeting of representatives of the hockey clubs of Fredericton, Sussex, Marysville, Chatham and St. John, and a schedule of games for the winter was arranged. The delegates in attendance were very enthusiastic over the prospects of the league and a very successful season is anticipated.

ALL READY FOR FIRST CURLING

Lineup of Thistle President's Team Against Vice-Presidents Announced—New Men to be Given a Chance.

With cold weather on Monday next the curlers of the city will have a gala day with the President vs. Vice-President match in the different clubs. This is generally regarded as the first club match of the season, and the aim is to include in it the total membership of the clubs irrespective of their ability as curlers. "Give 'em a chance" is the motto in this match and all the new players are sandwiched in among the club veterans for the game, so a line may be drawn on their ability.

SHRUBB AND LONGBOAT TO MEET MONDAY

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Alfred Shrub and Tom Longboat will meet in a 17 mile race at the Broadway Arsenal at Buffalo next Monday night. Longboat's manager, Shrub and Mintz are planning to put on similar races in other places. A twelve mile event is booked for Pittsburg, a ten mile for Philadelphia and a sixteen mile for Boston.

TAYLOR NOT TO PLAY WITH RENFREW VII

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—It is stated positively that Fred Taylor, the Listowel whirlwind, will not play hockey with Renfrew this winter. Coming as a climax to the famous jump that Taylor made from the Ottawa Hockey Club, just about a year ago, the above announcement will be a big surprise to the average hockey fan, but recent developments have brought about the change and unless the miracle happens, the former Ottawa cover point, the greatest figure in the hockey world today, will sever his connections with the Renfrew millionaires, and it is just possible that he may return to his former love, the Ottawa Hockey Club.

OVERALL AND BROWN BOTH WON GAME

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—Orville Overall and Mordwale Brown may both leave baseball. Both the Chicago stars have been spending their winter vacations at Visalia. Overall and Brown have declared that they will become residents of California, devoting themselves to their investments in Tulare county, together with that property which they are now negotiating to buy. Overall has a fine orchard near Visalia. Brown has interests in the East and he said recently that he is negotiating now for their sale.

Opera House Two Weeks Com. Dec. 26th

—THE—
W. S. Harkins Company
Monday (Holiday) Mat. 2.30
The Funniest of all Comedies
"The Runaways"
Monday Night
THE THRILLING DRAMA
"For Her Sake"
Depicting Russia as it is today. The convict mines in Siberia. The Spy System of the dreaded third section, (the police).
In Preparation
THE CONVICTS DAUGHTER
Matinee Saturday 2.30

HARVARD LEADS IN COLLEGE CHESS MEET

New York, Dec. 22.—Harvard took the lead in the first round of the nineteenth annual chess tourney between Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia Universities, which began here today.

LETTER FOR BURNS

There is a letter at this office for Cyclone Burns, the wrestler.

AUTOS PASSING INTO NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 22.—Every train and every steamship in the last few days has brought to New York its quota of new automobiles to delight the eyes and lighten the purses of the enthusiasts during the show season, which opens on New Year's Eve. Instead of the usual two shows the coming month will see four.

For these various exhibitions the displays will be more costly than ever. Especially will this be the case with the importers and the older American firms. The former will place their machines on view at the Hotel Astor during the first week of January, the latter at Madison Square Garden in the second week. Coincident with the foreign show will be the display of the "Independent" makers at the Grand Central Palace.

More than ever this year are the American producers of high class cars of the opinion that they are building the equal of the world's best. For this reason they have made the most careful preparation to offset the effect of the foreign show by turning out striking new models. Mechanically, of course, their show cars will be of stock design, but in body building and finish some surprises are certain.

PRINCETON WINS FROM WILLIAMS

New York, Dec. 22.—In a game marked by brilliant plays on both sides, the hockey team from Princeton defeated the Williams seven to two in the first half. Princeton scored two to Williams one, but in the second period, Williams tied the score. Then Princeton with only a few minutes to play, succeeded in scoring another point.

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BASEBALL NOTES.
Malaichi Kittredge, manager and part owner of the Saginaw team of the South Michigan baseball league, states that he will not coach Harvard's baseball team next spring. He was offered the place a week ago.
The Toronto team of the Eastern league has made arrangements to do 1911 preliminary spring training in Macon, Ga.

Last Two Days of Santa Claus Matinees
"NICKEL"—Crowded With Children
"MAX IN A DILEMMA" — THE GREATER LOVE
BRUGES, BELGIUM, Where They Make Lace
NEW SONGS Emory White Orchestra LATE HITS
Special Indian Drama for Week-End
MON. 26 Page & Morency Duo
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Queens Rink
SEASON TICKETS AS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
SEE The Prices SEE
CHILDREN \$1.50 LADIES 2.50
SENIOR BOYS 2.50 GENTLEMEN 3.50
Single Admission
LADIES and CHILDREN 15c. GENTLEMEN 25c.
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VICTORIA RINK Open for the Season
62nd BAND Tues. and Thurs. Evgs. and Sat. Aft.
REMEMBER JUST TWO MORE DAYS SEASON TICKETS FOR XMAS TO BUY THOSE
OUR PRICES SAME AS LAST YEAR

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Special Liqueur SCOTCH WHISKY (10 Years Old)
is made of the finest selected home-grown barley, fully malted; it is perfectly distilled in the Highlands of Scotland and is bonded in sherry wood casks during 10 years.
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Ten years of maturation bring out delicacies of flavour that cannot be excelled and make "Sandy Macdonald" one of the purest, lightest and most easily digested whiskies made in Scotland. 1054

"But for your health and your digestion sake"
SHAKESPEARE.
(Troilus & Cressida, act 11, sc. 3)
THE WHISKY FOR INVALIDS.
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THE WEATHER.

MARITIME:—Moderate variable winds, fine and cold. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 22.—Milder weather has set in over Ontario, while a change to more seasonable conditions has taken place in the Western Provinces. In Quebec and the Maritime Provinces it is cold.

AROUND THE CITY

Court Log Cabin. Court Log Cabin, I.O.F., will hold a meeting this evening. All members are requested to attend.

Reported by Police.

Cornelius F. Chamberlain has been reported by the police as being in the meat business on Brussels street without a license.

Uncle and Nephew.

Yesterday afternoon Policeman Wittson arrested two young men each aged 21 years, for being intoxicated on Charlotte street. One prisoner is the uncle of the other.

Mutual Good Will.

Robert Lingley, manager of the Two Barkers' North End store, entertained his staff at a turkey supper last evening in Henderson restaurant. They in turn presented Mr. Lingley with a gold mounted umbrella.

Fraternal Invitation.

The Oddfellows' Hall at Moncton will be open all day Monday, 2nd of Jan., 1911, and the brethren invite all St. John Oddfellows in the city that day to drop in. A good time is guaranteed.

Wrestling Tonight.

Tonight at 8.30 o'clock, in Carleton City Hall, Cyclone Burus will wrestle Dan McDonald. Greatest wrestling ever seen here. Everybody is ready. Everyone should attend. Admission 25 and 50 cents. Come all.

Ejected and Arrested.

The police were called into the Ottawa Hotel last evening to eject a man who was not wanted there. When the man was taken out on the sidewalk he was arrested charged with intoxication.

Playing Santa Claus.

The members of St. Vincent de Paul society last evening played Santa Claus to about 60 poor families in the Cathedral parish by distributing baskets of good things among them. The baskets contained meats, bread, cake, fruit, clothing and other articles.

Escaped from Lock Up.

Wednesday evening Constable Hardy arrested three young men in Fairville for disorderly conduct. Yesterday morning when the police visited the police station it was found that the lock had been broken and the men had made their escape.

St. Andrew's Sunday School.

St. Andrew's church Sunday school will, according to their Christmas custom, distribute baskets of good things among the poor of the city. All who are contributing are requested to have them at the school room not later than 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

Arm Broken.

About 6.30 o'clock last evening, Chauncey Burton, a clerk in O. H. Warwick's store on King street, fell over a truck and broke his left arm. Dr. Wm. Warwick was summoned and set the arm and the injured man was taken to his home on Summer Street in a coach.

Gilmour's For Clothing.

To accommodate customers wishing to take advantage of the special discount on winter overcoats, Gilmour's clothing store is open evenings until Christmas. The new evening dress suits, Tuxedos and Prince Albert coats and vests that customers have been expecting, are now in stock and all interested in superior designing and fine tailoring are invited to inspect them.

Christmas Donations.

Frank R. Fairweather, agent for fire prevention apparatus, etc., has presented the city engine houses with the pictures of the celebrated Merryweathers, English fire apparatus. These pictures were in Mr. Fairweather's exhibit at the Dominion Exhibition last fall and attracted much attention. They have been nicely framed and were sent to the engine houses with Mr. Fairweather's compliments.

Many on Late Train.

The Boston express was an hour and twenty minutes late arriving last night. The train was crowded with passengers bound for different points to spend the Christmas holidays. There were over three hundred aboard and 220 of these went east on the Halifax express. Among those arriving were a large number of I.N.B. and Normal School students from Fredericton. The train shed was lively for a time with the college yells.

Victoria Rink Season Tickets.

Just two more days to secure Victoria Rink season tickets for Christmas presents, and if the rush of the last week keeps up the sale of these most appropriate gifts will have reached almost record proportions. A large crowd was on the ice last evening, and enjoyed the excellent music of the Sixty-Second band. The first Saturday skating tomorrow afternoon will doubtless be enjoyed by many hundreds. Season tickets may be procured at the rink or in the office of the Unique Theatre.

Court Rockwood Officers.

Court Rockwood I. O. F. met last evening and elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:—Dr. W. A. Christie, court physician; F. B. Hayward, C. D. H. C. R.; W. N. Collins, C. R.; H. Little, V. C. R.; C. Chisholm, K. S.; P. S. Hill, F. S.; F. B. Hayward, treasurer; J. E. Moore, orator; C. McLeod, S. B.; A. B. C. McFarlane, J. B.; J. E. Moore and G. R. King, trustees; J. E. Moore and H. Little, finance committee; M. N. Collins and H. Little, central committee. The officers will be installed at the January meeting, and the High Court officers and Royal Foresters will be invited to assist.

Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, formerly of this city, but now of Amherst, was a passenger on the Halifax express going east last night.

LEASE OF FERRY SERVICE NOT REGARDED WITH FAVOR

Former Superintendent Recalls Experience in the Early Seventies When Lessees Were Unable to Pay for Their Coal--Carleton People Would Object to 50 Per Cent. Increase in Rate.

An evening paper yesterday published a story to the effect that a company is being formed for the purpose of taking over and operating the ferry service and that several of the aldermen had been approached with a view to securing their support to a proposal to lease the ferry from the city for \$5,000 a year.

Mayor Frink when asked last evening about the matter, said he knew nothing of it except what he had seen in the paper.

The company offers to take over the ferries, boats and all the plant in connection with the service and pay to the city the sum of \$5,000 per year for the franchise. They will keep the fare at the same rate as at present, with the exception of the books of passenger tickets which are now sold at the rate of 1 cent each, or 50 for 50 cents. These books they intend to make 75 cents which will mean an increase of 50 per cent. in the ferry tolls of the people of the West End.

To offset this, the company agrees to carry all children who attend schools in the city to and fro free of charge during certain hours. Some of the aldermen are inclined to favor the proposition but as expected, the sentiment in the West End is opposed to it if it entails an increase in the rate for ticket books. One West End man who is more or less interested in civic elections, said last night: "There will be an awful howl if that scheme goes through, and some of the aldermen who favor it, may find themselves looking for a job."

Generally, though, the proposition is not taken seriously by the West Side residents. The publication of the story, however, recalls a previous attempt of the same kind which resulted rather disastrously. H. Adam Glasgow, ex-superintendent of the ferry service, gave a Standard man some interesting information regarding the period of the ferry service, when the franchise passed out of the hands of the city and what happened at that time. The ferry steamer Ounangody, which, by the way, is still resting somewhere along the Strait Shore, was the first ferry steamer of which

TRAVELLING EXHIBIT ADVOCATED BY MR. BOYD

Anti-Tuberculosis Society Hear Details of Scheme Used in Fighting Ravages of White Plague

A meeting of the Executive Council of the New Brunswick Society for the prevention of tuberculosis was held yesterday afternoon, at which Rev. T. Hunter Boyd brought up the question of assisting in the movement to provide for a travelling tuberculosis exhibit. Mr. Boyd spoke at some length on the subject, pointing out the educational advantages of having an exhibit that could be sent from town to town.

He said that the Canadian Central Council at Ottawa, and several of the provincial councils had taken up the matter, and with a little co-operation a first class exhibit could be secured and started on a tour of Canada. The idea is to have a collection of magnified photos of the tuberculosis microbe in various stages of its development, pictures showing the effects upon the patients, views of sanatoriums, sun parlors, open-air bed rooms, roof tents, etc.

In connection with the exhibit there will be statistical maps, showing the effects of the disease from the social and economic standpoints, the loss to the nation through the disablement of workers, and the cost of caring for consumptives. Also there will be pamphlets for general circulation dealing with all phases of the disease and the crusade being waged against it.

Members of the executive expressed themselves in favor of the proposition, and it was decided to write to Ottawa, offering the assistance of the New Brunswick associations.

At the conclusion of the meeting the members said good-bye to Mr. Boyd, who leaves for Glasgow, Scotland, today.

Nickel's Final Santa Matinee. This afternoon and Saturday Santa Claus, Happy Hoiligan, Gloomy Gus and Foxy Grandpa will be seen at the Nickel for the last times. Big special new show of pictures with Indian drama extra. Open Monday at 10 a. m. Page and Morney musical act.

Art Goods and Toys at Lower Prices. Of much interest to Christmas shoppers will be the reduction of prices in M. R. A.'s Christmas show room. Great values in electric portables, bronzes, lamp and candle shades, Christmas novelties, also French mechanical toys, children's washing sets and all kinds of dressed dolls. This is a fine chance to make gift money go farther. Come this morning for the bargains. Fresh stock of toys, dolls, Trustee sale, Hall's.

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Stores Open Evenings Until 10 o'clock. Lower Prices on Art Goods, Dolls, etc.--Special Christmas Reductions for Today and Saturday. A decided snap for gift seekers, and all should avail themselves of this opportunity to lengthen the Christmas appropriation. Prices have been much reduced and these timely bargains are certain to be in brisk demand.

Irish Embroidered Linen Waist Patterns for Christmas Gifts. A brand new assortment at Lace Counter

Down Quilts for Christmas Gifts. Arriving just in time these down quilts will serve as acceptable gifts. They are the best London make, in new patterns and colorings especially suitable for Christmas selling. They are extra well filled, with down proof saten or satin coverings, well ventilated, and with corded edge. Sizes 5 by 6 feet; 5 1-2 by 6 feet; 6 by 6 feet. Prices range from \$3.75 to \$20.00. HOUSE FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

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