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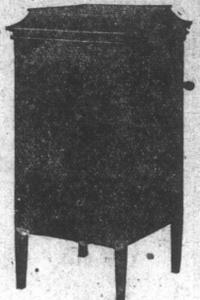
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NOTICE.

One month after date hereof application will be made to His Excellency the Governor in Council for the right to use the waters of Little Harbor River, flowing into Little Harbor, Salmonier, in the Electoral District of Placentia and St. Mary's, for the purpose of driving machinery.

Dated at St. John's, Dec. 6th, 1923. CYRIL J. FOX, Solicitor for Applicant. dec6.41.th

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St. Bon's Alumni.

The Postponed Dinner will take place January 3rd, at 8.30 p.m., at St. Bonaventure's College. Tickets at the Royal Stationery Company. dec22.ft

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in Canada and United States. Write for leaflets and free list of inventions wanted by manufacturers. Free report as to patentability.

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St. John's Lodge,

No. 579, E.C., A.F. & A.M.

An Emergency Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Temple at 8 p.m., on Thursday, December 27th, 1923, (being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist), when the Worshipful Master Elect will be installed and his Officers invested by the Right Worshipful, the District Grand Master, Brethren of the city lodges and transient brethren are cordially invited to be present.

By command of the W.M. THOMAS J. SEYMOUR, Secretary. dec27.11

M. G. C. A.

To-night, Big Auction Forty-five Tournament, commencing at 8.15 sharp. Come early and win a Turkey for 25 cents.

W. HALFYARD, Secretary. dec27.11

NOTICE.

There will be a Meeting of the Star Ladies' Association this Thursday evening, Dec. 27th, at 8.30 p.m. As arrangements will be made for Sale of Work and Children's Party, will all members please attend.

A. J. BUCKLEY, Secretary. dec27.11

Keep January 7th, 1924, open for our Annual "At Home." dec27.11

Preliminary Notice.

Three Act Irish Comedy, entitled: "The Courting of Mary Doyle," in St. Patrick's Old Convent School, January 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 1924. Under the direction of Capt. J. J. O'Grady. Caste of characters later. dec26.21

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S. D. BLANDFORD, Sheriff. dec24.26.27.28

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Milton James Trumble, Proprietor of Newfoundland Patent No. 128 for "New and Useful Improvements in Process and Apparatus for the Evaporation of Liquid" is prepared to bring the said invention into operation in Newfoundland and to license the use of the same and to sell the same upon terms to be obtained from

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By order R. H. HOWLEY, Secretary. dec27.31

Dancing Announcement.

Our next beginners class commences January 3rd. This class is run by the term, consisting of nine consecutive lessons; to be held on Monday and Thursday evenings. As only a limited number can be accepted, applications should be made as early as possible.

Commencing January 4th, our usual small dances will be held on Tuesday and Friday evenings, from 8.15 to 11.

R. H. PUSHIE, Address: 85 Pleasant St., Telephone 1889R. dec27.21.th.m

LOST—On Monday, in or near the G.P.O., 3 Keys on ring, one a G.P.O. key. Finder will be rewarded upon returning same to JACK WOODS, c/o G.P.O. dec27.11

LOST—On Christmas Day on Bates' Hill, near Star Theatre, a Gent's Gold Ring with initials "W. J." Finder will be rewarded upon returning same to 15 Bell Street. dec27.11

PICKED UP—Three Brass Engine Room Keys. Owner can have same by paying cost of adv.; apply this office. dec26.31

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NOTICE—Will the Person who picked up a White Coat on Saturday night, please return to HING LEE LAUNDRY, 51 Casey St. and get reward. dec26.31

Help Wanted.

WANTED—Immediately, a General Maid; apply 27 Leslie Street. dec26.31

WANTED—A Good General Girl; apply with references to MRS. O'KEEFE, 89 Hamilton Street. dec27.31

WANTED—A General Maid, references required; apply MRS. N. W. CROWN, 37 Prescott Street. dec27.31

WANTED—By the 1st of January, a Dining Room Maid; apply MRS. RIDOUT, Staff House, Bay Roberts. dec26.31

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The Cameo Bracelet.

CHAPTER II.

The usurer heaved a profound sigh. "Ah! Sir George, you must not talk of time to one who numbers four score years, and cannot expect to be spared much longer. What I do, must be done quickly. I cannot agree to any postponement."

The baronet sat for a few moments, overwhelmed by the hypocrisy and callous indifference of the speaker; then, his features working convulsively, he made another appeal.

"Mr. Goldryng, you have just lost a son. You ought, then, to be able to pity me when I tell you that my own brave boy is now lying in a most dangerous condition, and that if disgrace falls upon me, it will so deeply affect him that there is no chance of his surviving it."

"Very sad—very sad," said the usurer, in the most equable tones. "Wouldn't it be as well to pay the money, Sir George, and spare your son's feelings?"

"But I am not in a position to do so. I am not a wealthy man. I should have to mortgage my estate to satisfy your demands, or, if you drive me to extremities, I must sell it. You cannot wish me to do that."

Lucas Goldryng waved his hands deprecatingly.

"Now, what necessity can there be for these painful details? They do not concern me. I only ask for my own. Surely, Sir George, you would not wish to rob a poor old man, four score years and upward, who has not a relative in the world but one troublesome little kins-woman? When all is said and done, my dear good friend, we come back to the same point. I find your debt, among other unpaid ones, in my son's pocketbook; I demand its payment; I am justified in doing so; I cannot help it if you consider yourself ill-used; people always do when they are asked to pay. I expect you to pay at once. If you will not, I must resort to other ways and means of getting a settlement."

For some minutes the girl, whose presence her uncle had overlooked, had been standing behind his chair, an interested listener to the conversation. She could see the agony depicted on Sir George's countenance, and suddenly stepping forward, she started both the absorbed men by exclaiming:

"I will pay this money. How much is it?"

"You, my dear child!" echoed the baronet, staring at the weird little figure, in its scanty and incongruous garments, while Lucas Goldryng, with a vicious gleam in his sunken eyes, began groping about for his crutch-stick.

"Yes," she answered, quietly. "I am a great heiress; Uncle Lucas will tell you so. He will not give me any money for myself, but he shall for you, and you shall return it when you are able. I should like to help somebody, and it will make no difference to uncle."

Sir George felt very much moved

by this impulsive offer. He saw that it was prompted by the girl's naturally warm and generous heart, and he was struggling for words in which to express his grateful sense of her good nature, when, with a growl and a snarl like a wild beast, Lucas Goldryng sprang upon her, and with one clawlike hand grasping her arm, he began to rain down such brutal blows on her head and shoulders, that instinctively she shrieked for mercy, and the indignant baronet sprang to the rescue.

CHAPTER III.

The scene was brought to a close by the evil-tempered old usurer suddenly ceasing to resist Sir George Ormsby's endeavors to drag the shrinking girl from his clutches, and dropping back in his chair in a fit. So hideous did he look, that, forgetting her bruised arm, the girl tried to seek the help of Hannah, the old woman who had admitted the baronet—the ill-paid drudge who scrubbed and toiled with no reward but the gratification of her own innate love of cleanliness and order.

She came muttering and grumbling at being disturbed in her work, but was silenced when she saw the condition of her master. Fortunately, she had plenty of common sense at command, and began applying those remedies that were at hand. In this she was assisted by the girl, who crept back after her, and now chafed the sufferer's hands, and bathed his temples as zealously as if she had not just endured his ill-usage.

"Have you ever seen Mr. Goldryng suffering from a similar seizure?" Sir George inquired.

"No, sir. And he looks awful bad, don't he?" the woman whispered, with an apprehensive air. "Don't think he's dying, do ye?"

"I really cannot say. Will it not be more satisfactory to have the opinion of a medical man? If you will tell me where the nearest one is to be found, I will fetch him."

But Hannah shook her head at the proposal.

"I daren't send for a doctor, sir, without master's leave. He'd say I was an extravagant hussy for putting him to such cost; and most likely he'd stop the expense out of my wages, though they're little enough already, goodness knows!"

"But he cannot be allowed to lie here, and perhaps expire before our eyes for the want of more efficient assistance than we can render him," the baronet remonstrated; for he was beginning to ask himself uneasily how he should account for his own presence in the house, if Mr. Goldryng died, and public inquiry was made into the causes of his sudden decease.

Still the woman hesitated, not knowing what to do; and under these circumstances it was no small relief when the old man began to show signs of recovering his senses. He pushed aside the cold water with which Hannah was plentifully bedewing his face and head, and presently sat up, looking very feeble and exhausted; but in the full possession of all his faculties.

Feeling tolerably sure that he would not be able to renew his ill-treatment of his niece, Sir George now took his

hat, and, briefly saying that he would call again in a day or two, prepared to return home. But with what a heavy heart! The interview from which he had hoped so much had been worse than fruitless; for the well-meant interference of the girl had led to his embroiling himself with her uncle, whose vindictive spirit he had no means of appeasing.

"What shall I tell poor Charlie?" the baronet sorrowfully asked himself. "But, nay; he is such a preux-chevalier that he will say I did right to defend the poor child. Can it be very wicked to wish that this covetous old brute had not recovered so quickly from his seizure? If he had lain long enough to suffer a few of the tortures he inflicts on others, it might have taught him to be more merciful to them."

Sir George's hand was on the door, when the voice of the servant recalled him, and she came hurrying across the hall.

"Please, sir, master wants ye. He's spoken quite sensible like. Indeed, he's almost himself again."

The baronet felt an insuperable objection to encountering the old usurer again; but his position compelled him to be conciliatory, and he went back to the room, and civilly expressed his hopes that Mr. Goldryng felt better.

Somewhat to his surprise, no anger at his interposition in behalf of the girl appeared to possess the shaking, gasping old man, who, though scarcely able to steady his voice sufficiently to make himself understood, was hurrying reproaches at his nieces.

"It was her fault—all her fault," he panted, as he pointed his skinny finger to where she stood leaning listlessly against the wall. "She provokes me till I lose all self-control. Didn't you hear her taunt me about her money? She only did it to remind me that it is hers—all hers. She has no right to it—no right. It ought to have been mine—mine, who helped to earn it. My brother was an idiot when he left it to a child who doesn't know how to use it; and, worse—worse than this, left it to her unconditionally. It was a madman's will. I said it was at the time, and so it was. Why, she can claim half when she marries, if it's to-morrow, and the rest when she comes of age! And so she defies me—defies me!"

"What have I done?" asked the girl, sullenly.

"What would you not do, if I were not always on the watch?" he snarled. "Am I not obliged to keep you without your shoes, because I detected you in the very act of stealing out of the house when you thought I was too much engaged to miss you?"

"It is a sin to wish to look at the shops when they are lighted," she demanded. "Who would not be tired of staying in this dull, dreary house?"

"Is it correct for a girl of decent parentage to be prowling about at night? Did you not bribe the foolish woman yonder to take you to some low place of amusement, where you would have been plundered of the few shillings I was weak enough to let you have, little thinking to what use you would put them? And aren't you always trying to make acquaintances with loose, dissolute people, who, when they get a fobbing in the house, would rob, and perhaps murder me? But what would you care? You—you—"

Here speech failed him, and he could only lie back in his chair, impotently trying to shake his stick at her; while Sir George looked from one to the other, unable to decide how far these charges were true.

But the girl, with the stolid air of one who was so accustomed to hear herself reviled that she had ceased to let it trouble her, stood chafing a livid wale upon her thin arm, and made no attempt to defend herself; and, seeing this, Mr. Goldryng addressed his next speech to the baronet.

"She talked like the fool she is when she said what she did to you. She cannot lend you the money you want. She cannot touch a halfpenny of it while she is under my guardianship. She is the plague of my life, I wish—and he said this with a bitter emphasis that made his auditor shudder—"I wish she was dead!"

"That is a sad and strange wish," Sir George told him. "This young creature, by your own showing, is your only surviving relative, and ought to be the comfort of your old age."

(To be continued)



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Lords of the Rivers

Having worked their toilsome way up from the sea, the salmon are busy in the autumn about their family affairs in the small waters far up among the hills.

Salmon and trout lay their eggs in autumn, not spring. It is an interesting sight to watch them on the spawning beds. The best fish chooses a pool with a gravelly bottom, and sets to scooping out a sort of trench. She seems to plough right into the gravel with her body, and the trench in which she lays her eggs may be fully ten feet long.

The eggs, when laid and fertilized, are carefully covered up, both parents taking their share at this work. They keep at it until the trench becomes a mound known in fishermen's language as a "red."

The hen salmon lays about nine hundred eggs for each pound of her weight, so even a ten-pound fish will deposit nine thousand eggs.

Once the important business of the spawning is completed in British waters the parent fish are free to depart. But unless the water is exceptionally heavy they hang about, waiting for a really big spate to enable them to make their return journey to the sea. So, even in the following March, when salmon angling has begun again, many a "kelt" of back fish is hooked in the river and has to be carefully replaced by the disappointed fisherman.

British salmon differ entirely from American and Canadian in that the former get back to the sea alive, while the latter never do so. This may be because of the enormous length of United States and Canadian rivers. The great salmon of Alaska swim up as far as Caribou Crossing, which is 2,250 miles from the mouth of the Yukon River.

Imagine a fish accomplishing such a journey without one mouthful of food to sustain it on its way! Salmon do not feed in fresh water. There is no parallel in all Nature to such a feat. And it is the more wonderful because the salmon, when in the sea is a most voracious feeder.

None of these United States and Canadian salmon return to the ocean. Not one! They simply starve to death and their dead bodies, drifting ashore pollute the river-banks for miles.

Even the smaller hump-back salmon, which, as a rule, use the smaller rivers and creeks of North America for spawning purposes, fail to return to salt water. These American salmon thus provide another example of Nature's care for the race, combined with carelessness of the individual life.—Saturday Night, Toronto.

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Re-union of the Churches makes but little Progress in Britain--Federalists Claim Control of the Greater Part of Mexico--American Polar Expedition to Establish a Base at Nome.

MESSAGE OF VENIZELOS FLEXING.

ATHENS, Dec. 26. The decision of former Premier Venezelos to pay a visit to Greece without, however, returning to the political arena, as he says in the telegram announcing his prospective return, is variously commented upon in political circles. The Liberals are highly gratified believing that Venezelos can be induced to take up the reins of Government. The Republicans are perplexed for they do not know the real purpose of his return. The reunion of the Greek nation is regarded as a difficult task which only a politician of Venezelos's ability can perhaps achieve.

UNFORTUNATE SUICIDE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. Despondency seemingly made more unbearable by scenes of Christmas cheer on all sides caused eight persons to attempt suicide during the holiday, police said to-day. Four men inhaled gas, one woman leaped from a roof, another woman drank poison, and an unidentified man threw himself beneath a subway train. The official records state that five died immediately and the others are said to be in a critical condition.

HOPE AT VANISHING POINT.

PARIS, Dec. 26. Indications that hope of rescuing the missing airship Dixmude is approaching vanishing point were seen to-day in the action of the ministry of marine in issuing a list of the fifty officers and men on board, which is seldom done in France until the craft is considered lost. The airship has now been out more than eight days. She carried eight days' rations and water a plenty, but only a limited amount of gasoline. The principal hope fostered here is that the Dix-

mude has landed in the Sahara desert. The airship's wireless has been silent for several days.

MAKING SMALL HEADWAY.

LONDON, Dec. 26. The question of re-union of the churches, especially the Anglican and Roman Catholic, which was advocated in resolutions at the famous Lambeth Conference in 1920, has made the smallest headway, according to a Christmas letter which the Archbishop of Canterbury has issued from Lambeth Palace to the dignitaries of the Anglican communion.

ANOTHER STORY.

EL PASO, Dec. 26. Federal troops now control the entire Republic of Mexico except a small locality held by Generals Sanchez and Estrada, according to advices received to-day by the consul of Mexico here.

DOUCETTE MUST STAND TRIAL.

SYDNEY, Dec. 26. John W. Doucette, charged with the murder of Edith Mary Brailford, a young English working girl, who was shot through the head in the Fortune home at Dominion on Nov. 24th, was to-day committed to stand trial in the Supreme Court. No startling evidence was adduced at to-day's hearing, but the magistrate stated his opinion that the circumstances were such as to warrant a trial.

THE POLAR FLIGHT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. Recommendations that the navy's Polar exploration flight be attempted during the coming summer with the

dirigible Shenandoah, and using Nome, Alaska, as the main operating base, are contained in a report of a special board of naval officers headed by Rear Admiral William T. Moffett, Chief of Naval Aviation.

WILLING HELPERS.

WORCHESTER, Mass., Dec. 26. More than one hundred persons in every walk of life answered the appeal of little 9-year-old Ralph Orcutt, at the City Hospital, for skin to be grafted to his body to heal the terrible burns suffered last July. The surgeons recently decided that Ralph's future as a cripple might be spared if twenty inches of skin could be grafted to his limbs.

GARCIA JOINS REBELS.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 26. General Alfred Garcia, former military commander in Seseotecas, has joined the rebel forces of General Estrada, according to travellers from the South.

POLICE DISPERSE K. K. K.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26. Police, using clubs as weapons, forced their way through a crowd of more than 2,000 persons gathered at a Ku Klux Klan ceremony here just after midnight and extinguished the burning cross which had been set up on the steps of the building. The police arrived at the conclusion of the ceremony held by men said to be leaders of the K. K. K. in Detroit.

Obituary.

JOHN VINCENT DUCY.

Our little town was greatly saddened on Friday, the 7th December, by news of the death of one of our most promising young men, in the person of John Vincent Ducey. The deceased, who was the eldest son of Benjamin and the late Cecilia Ducey, had been for two years mate of the schooner "General Byng," of which vessel his brother Patrick was master. On one of her recent voyages to Portugal he contracted a chill, which speedily developed into tuberculosis. During the past summer he received the best of medical treatment from doctors in St. John's, Burin and Grand Bank, but got steadily worse, and a few weeks ago he went to the sanatorium at St. John's. Here, everything possible was done for him by doctors and nurses alike, but all to no avail, and feeling himself that the end was near he expressed a desire to return home to die. His brother and sister-in-law, Captain and Mrs. P. J. Ducey, hastened to the city, and found him very weak, but full of eagerness to reach home. After a journey painful both to himself and those who took care of him en route, he arrived here by the S.S. Argyle on Thursday at noon. On Friday at 10 a.m. he breathed his last, twenty-two hours after his arrival at the home he so longed to reach. He was attended by the parish priest, Rev. Dr. McGrath, who administered the last rites of the church. Jack, as he was called by his many friends, was of so happy and cheerful a disposition that even at the time he was feeling worst, would look on the bright side of things, and his early passing is deeply regretted by all. He was always happiest when at home, and besides numerous relatives he leaves a large number of friends here and elsewhere. He is survived by a father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. B. Ducey; three brothers, Patrick at home and Bernard and Don in St. Paul, Minn.; and four sisters, Mrs. Capt. W. P. Walsh at home, Mrs. Leo Walsh in New York, Mrs. Victor Baker and Miss Cecilia, both in St. Paul, Minn. The gathering at the church and graveside on Sunday afternoon was one of the largest seen here in years. The services were conducted by the Rev. F. J. McGrath, Ph.D., and the members of the Holy Name Society, of which the deceased was a member, paraded in a body. In spite of the rain, young and old followed the remains to their last resting place, and just at the close of the burial service the glorious sun shone out, reminding us of the resurrection morning, when there shall be no more

partings. To his parents and those who mourn the loss of a loving son and brother we extend our heartfelt sympathy—May his soul rest in peace.—Com. Marystown, Dec. 13th, 1923.

Decline in Exchange

The steady decline which took place in exchange rates on European currencies throughout October reached a climax in a sharp break which occurred early in November and extended roughly up to the 20th of the month. Sterling declined in Montreal from 4.54 on the first of November to 4.38 on the 17th. French francs experienced a similar movement, declining from 5.95 on the 1st of the month to a low point of 5.32 on the 17th and Italian lire dropped from 4.56 to 4.22 during the same period. Other European rates, for the most part, experienced similar movements, said the Royal Bank in its "December Letter."

Various causes have been assigned for this sudden break in rates. Undoubtedly both economic and political factors have entered the situation. Such a decline would naturally be facilitated by the fact that the period concerned is the one in which Britain makes arrangements for heavy purchases of American cotton, Canadian wheat and so on, and these purchases react against sterling. There is a possibility also that the government is collecting dollar exchange pending its December payment to the United States on debt account. Furthermore, the general uncertainty which existed in Europe caused a transfer of foreign balances to the United States. The threatened severance of the triple entente led to serious uncertainty with regard to the future, and this undoubtedly reacted unfavourably on the exchanges. One of the factors in the British election, discussion which carried no weight in London, but possibly had some influence abroad, is the "capital levy" plank in the Labor platform.

MAY HAVE BEEN A COINCIDENCE.

A paper that prints a good many alleged photographs of unusual people had three all on one page, and all three were of men who wore those grotesque, deformed, drawish apologies for a real mustache, consisting of a tuft of hair on the upper lip. It might have been a coincidence, but one was a fellow who served ten years in a German prison for murder, one claims to have made a cannon that will shoot around a corner and the third was a man who paid \$50,000 for a strawberry plant.

League Shows Interest in a 50-50 Marriage

Geneva, Nov. 30. (AP.)—Everybody connected with the League of Nations is interested in a pretty little romance between modest League workers which has joined together in matrimony the impoverished son of a former great Russian magnate and a beautiful young noblewoman, descendant of one of the oldest families of the former great Russian empire, both of them exiles from Russia as a result of the Soviet revolution. M. Pastoukhov, the bridegroom, whose father was the fabulously wealthy owner of the Donetz coal mines in southern Russia, has a humble position as interpreter at the League and there he met and wooed Countess Ounarov, of a family of ancient lineage, despoiled of title and fortune, who does not scorn to labor daily as typist and Slavic secretary in the political section.

Just Folks.

By EDGAR A GUEST

FAITHLESS.

Poor is the man who counts this life By days of pleasure and of strife Who thinks this paltry gift below Is all that he shall ever know. And wails no poverty is worse Than is the poverty of purse.

He has no faith to lean upon. No source of strength when hope is gone. He feels the winds of winter blow. He sees the cruel ice and snow. And thinks men suffer grief and pain. Love and are loved, and all in vain.

Yet he who cannot see the snow. Is poorer and more wretched than The pale, decrepit beggar man. With all their beauty at the gate. He shares the common fate of men. And one he loves is called away. If all his joy was housed in clay And he has seen no spirit there. Then he is fated to despair.

No God to turn to with his prayer. None for his absent ones to care. No life beyond this stretch of years No future hope to dry his tears. Then, in his darkest hour of need. The faithless man is poor indeed.

Wedded, both these young Russians will continue their League work, for the countess must support her aged grandmother, now an exile in Jugoslavia.

WEDDED.

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Famous Woman Criminal

"BLONDE ALICE THE QUEEN OF CROOKS."

A woman whose criminal adventures in two continents earned her the title of "Queen of Crooks" has been sentenced at Durham to three years' imprisonment. She openly vaunted that in crime she was the equal of any man, no matter how daring the venture.

"Blonde Alice" was the sobriquet by which this amazing crook was best known in the underworlds of London, New York, and Paris, but her real name is Alice Mary Smith. She was sentenced at Durham Assizes for stealing diamond rings.

Began at 18.

Born of respectable American parents, "Blonde Alice" was persuaded to take to a life of crime by the evil influence of her husband, whom she married when she was 18. Beginning as a pickpocket in the more sordid Bowery haunts, she transferred her activities (says the Daily Sketch) to the West-end of London, having parted from her husband.

Her specialty was to engineer pleasure jaunts, usually taxicab rides to distant suburbs, with wealthy acquaintances, whom she robbed during the journey.

A skilled linguist, she could imitate almost any dialect at a moment's notice, and this enabled her to form rapid friendships with wealthy dupes on the strength of "coming from the same home town."

"Took" \$5,000 a Week.

To assist her in rapid disguises, she kept half a dozen or more resorts in the West-end, where she could rely on obtaining a complete change of costume.

If her victims subsequently recognized her, she would disclaim her identity and adopt a different brogue. This was usually sufficient not only to disarm suspicion but to provide a substantial sum of money as compensation for being falsely accused.

In her more successful moods, her week's takings have averaged £5,000.

Lavish With Her Daughter.

Americans and Canadians were her favorite prey, and the war provided her with a fine opportunity for roguery. In contrast to her criminal life was the passionate devotion "Blonde Alice" showered on her daughter, whom she succeeded in keeping in ignorance of her mother's exploits. She lavished money and luxury on her daughter, and had her educated at Girton.

Overcoats for Animals

Amusement was caused at the recent dairy Show by a white Runner duck dressed in a check coat tied around its breast with ribbon.

Certain animals, such as horses, have long had their special clothing, but in these days, when so many costly animals are bred, the question of clothing them appropriately is a matter of real importance.

Just as racehorses have their suits cut and made to measure, so do racing dogs. No greyhound would last long if it had not a warm blanket-coat ready to slip on after it had finished a hard course. A greyhound's coat is made of very warm stuff lined with fleeces of soft woolen material.

Clothes for toy dogs cost up to £5 a suit, and include waterproof coats for wet weather. Some dog-lovers keep a waterproof coat for each animal.

There is, however, no necessity to spend a lot of money on such a garment. A piece cut from a worn-out waterproof or from a remnant of oilcloth can easily be adapted by means of a couple of straps.

Monkeys and other animals brought from the tropics require clothing of some sort during the winter unless kept in specially warmed rooms, and the writer once saw an elderly parrot which had lost most of its feathers dressed in a home-made jacket of red flannel.

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SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

SO DIFFERENT BUT SO ALIKE.

There are two very interesting facts in marriage which people seldom get through their heads until they have had them battered in by experience. The first is how very different the two sexes are. And the second is how very much alike they are.

Different in their reactions to certain things, and in the ways of expressing themselves. Alike in their fundamental feelings. I don't know which is the more important fact to realize, but I do know that more is said about the first, and so I want to say a word about the second.

After 12 Years.

A wife who has been married 12 years told me this little incident. "My husband said something the other day in regard to the children's schooling that I agreed with heartily. And when I said so his face fairly lit up. "Why I thought you'd blow up and bust if I said that," he said, "I just dreaded to say it. But I felt I had to because I believed it." "I was so surprised. I had no idea he felt that way. I've felt that way lots of times but I hadn't any idea he did. I supposed he just said what he wanted to and didn't care whether I

agreed or not. He always acts that way. And when I told him I felt that way too, he was just as surprised as I was. Isn't it funny, two people living together 12 years and each of them feeling that way about a thing and never suspecting that the other did?" It is funny. But I guess it's not an uncommon human experience.

"Put Him in Your Place."

If every man and woman who is trying to make a success of one of those legalized friendships known as marriage, would make it a habit to constantly ask himself or herself when he experiences an emotion or a state of mind: "I wonder if my wife or my husband feels that way, too?" there would be a good many divorce lawyers out of a job.

"Put yourself in his place." is a good rule. Another equally good is: "Put him in your place."

Men are men, and women are women and never thwain shall meet. But underneath that substratum of difference both men and women are human beings and just alike. Don't forget either of these facts if you want to make your partner happy. And in so doing, yourself.

Better Ship May be Put in Cabot Strait Service

NORTH SYDNEY, Dec. 19.—Premier Warren, of Newfoundland, has returned home after three months absence during which he attended the Imperial Conference in London, England. The Premier was accompanied from North Sydney by Mrs. Warren, R. G. Reid, of the Reid Newfoundland Company, and Mrs. Reid, and M. S. Sullivan, member of the Newfoundland Legislature for Placentia and St. Mary's, all of whom are returning from Britain. During his short stay in North Sydney Premier Warren discussed local issues and developments in the political situation with his friends, but declined to make any statement regarding a number of other problems which he pleaded, he must first lay before his council at St. John's.

The Premier believes that the greatest problem with which his Dominion had to deal at the present time is the unemployment situation, and he expressed the hope that a number of promised developments would assist this situation materially, if not relieve it entirely. Premier Warren is carrying back to Newfoundland a proposition made by President Wain of the British Empire Steel Corporation, relative to the Bell Island iron ore mines, where operations have been seriously curtailed by the corporation. Whether the offer was a favorable one or not Premier Warren would not intimate.

Premier Warren said he had, while in England, interviewed representatives of iron and steel companies, and others, in an endeavor to find a market for the Bell Island product, but did not receive very bright encouragement. It was intimated by one of the members of the Premier's party that Sir Newton Moore, one of the directors of the British Empire Steel Corporation in England, was following up this lead by endeavoring to sell Bell Island ore to British, German and other steel making firms. The general tone of the conversation did not reflect opinion of a very bright quality. Regarding other matters Premier Warren was more optimistic. He said the general feeling in Britain toward Newfoundland is very friendly, and the Dominion stood with a good reputation in financial circles.

and the prospects of a number of industries being established in the early future are good. Mr. Warren would not disclose the nature of the industrial proposals that he will lay before his council on his return to Newfoundland, but it is understood there will be one by the Reid Newfoundland people in connection with the development of the Humber River District, involving the erection of a one hundred thousand paper mill at Tidewater. Mr. Sullivan has also proposed for the establishment of three industrial works that are expected to meet with approval. Regarding matters particularly of interest to Nova Scotia, Premier Warren said he understood that increased traffic had greatly improved the financial position of the Newfoundland Government Railway, and the possibility of replacing the Kyle with a larger and more comfortable steamer on the Port aux Basques-North Sydney service was discussed. Mr. Sullivan expressed the opinion that the need for this had now become acute, and that the traffic now warrants such an addition to the fleet. Premier Warren intimated that the matter would be given very serious attention.—Morning Chronicle.

Blames British Industry FOR CURTAILED PRODUCTION.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(A.P.)—Sir Herbert Hambling, president of the Bankers Institute, blames capital and labor for restricted industrial output in England more than he does the economic crisis in Europe. "I say without hesitation," Sir Herbert declared in a recent address, "that although we are losing much trade because of the European situation, a situation largely outside our control, we are losing more as a result of our high production costs, a situation within our control. "I contend that if all restriction on output were removed by labor, and if all our trading interests aimed at making a large total profit by securing a small profit on each individual item of a big output, rather than by making a large profit on a small output, we should increase our overseas trade, develop our home markets and provide a large number of our unemployed with remunerative work."

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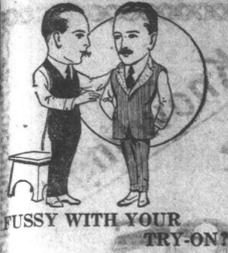
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B.I.S. Dance an Unqualified Success

Upwards of 250 people attended St. Stephen's Night Dance, in the B. I. S. rooms last night. The Ladies' Auxiliary, under whose auspices the affair was held, are deserving of a great deal of praise. These energetic workers had every preparation made for the comfort of all and the affair was voted one of the best Irish nights yet held. A large number of players participated in the card tournament, the final outcome of which resulted in Mrs. Wadden and Mr. J. Callanan being awarded the prizes. Dancing was indulged in at 9 o'clock. The usual Christmas novelties were in evidence. Fancy colored caps, crackers, rattles, etc., were distributed to each of the dancers, and general merriment followed until well after midnight. The Prince's Orchestra rendered a delightful selection of music for the occasion, encore after encore being responded to. A dainty supper was served by the ladies under the direction of Mrs. McKay, the President. On the eve of the first general holiday there will be another dance which is expected to prove equally as interesting as last night's.

Yuletide Bells

Yuletide Bells, a bright little Christmas number, issued by Miss A. English, has been received by us. It contains many fine contributions in prose and verse, by local and other authors, and we take the liberty to reprint the following anecdote from it:

A POLITICIAN'S MARK.

The late Barzey Owens, the noted old horseman, of Point Breelle, had a fine sense of humor, and at a dinner that he gave recently to some New Jersey politicians, he impressed his guests a good deal with a toast that he proposed. "A toast of politics," he began. "A toast to politics and politicians. I know a man whose son is ten years old. To find out what his son's tastes were, this man put in the boy's room one day a Bible, a bottle of whiskey and a five dollar bill. If he takes the Bible, the father said to himself, 'It's a sign he's going to be a preacher. If he takes the money he'll be a business man. If he takes the whiskey he'll be no good—a drunkard. And he crawled under the bed and waited for the boy to come in. When the boy came in he was whistling. He ran to the table like a flash and took the money and put it in his pocket. He took the Bible and put it under his arm. He uncorked the bottle of whiskey, took two or three drinks, smacked his lips and went out whistling again. By jingo! said the father, crawling out from under the bed, he's going to be a politician."

Large Audiences at the Popular Star Again Last Evening

The theatrical expression "The attraction of the thing" was fully proven at the Star Movie last night, for in spite of the stores being open thereby preventing many hundreds from attending, nevertheless a packed house greeted the show. Pedrick and Devere are to-day the talk of the city, they being voted the best team we have yet seen, and the prolonged applause that greeted them went to show the high appreciation in which their numbers were received. For Friday night they have in preparation a very peppy and fast number, this, with their new scenery which is now in course of erection will make them more at home, and will be an added attraction. The music of the Orchestra, is very favorably commented on, it affording the audience an opportunity of seeing a show that's a real show from beginning to end. It is a decided addition to the program and is fully enjoyed by all.

Wedding Bells.

VALLIS-WAY.
At St. Boniface Church, Ramea, on December 1st, the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. E. S. Templeton uniting in the silken bonds of matrimony Miss Margaret Vallis and the Rev. M. E. Way, Rector of the Parish. The bride was becomingly attired in a navy blue costume with hat and flowing veil to match. Miss May Way, sister of the groom, was the chief bridesmaid, while Arch Bungay supported the groom. The wedding was a very popular one as was evidenced by the way in which the people of Ramea gave vent to their sentiments. The bride was the recipient of many valuable and useful presents. Mr. and Mrs. Way after spending a few days with the groom's parents at Hermitage will proceed to their new sphere of labour at Random, T.B.

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St. Stephen's Night

AT T. A. SOCIETY ROOMS—ENJOYABLE AFFAIR.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the T. A. Society held a very successful card party and dance in the Armouries last night. Considerable interest was manifested in the card game. The prizes were won by Mrs. Wills and Mr. Lee, after a very exciting finish. During the interval the ladies of the Association served a delicious supper, and after the appetites of all had been satisfied, dancing was indulged in until an early hour this morning. The music for the occasion was furnished by Miskell's Orchestra. The evening was one of thorough enjoyment to all.

Wesley Barry at the Crescent To-Night

AMATEUR CONTEST TO BE HELD TO-MORROW NIGHT.

Wesley Barry, the prince of juvenile entertainers, will be seen at the Crescent Theatre to-night in his gigantic screen triumph, "Rags to Riches." Packed with action, thrilling scenes and stirring adventure—interwoven in a beautiful story of romance, pathos and laughter. "Freckles" is seen in one of the greatest and most lovable roles of his career, supported by a stellar cast which includes Niles Welch, Ruth Renick, Russell Simpson, Richard Tucker and Eulalie Jensen. The story centers about young Marmaduke Clarke and his adventures when a burglar enters his room and adopts the boy as a pal.

Star Dance Was Big Success

St. Stephen's Night entertainment in the Star of the Sea Hall last night proved to be a huge success. The ladies of the Association, well known for their hospitality, left nothing undone for the comfort and enjoyment of their guests. About 165 people took part in the card tournament. After prizes were awarded to Miss Fower and Mrs. Harris, dancing was indulged in. The spacious room, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion, presented a real old time Christmas appearance. An unusually large gathering of members and friends of the Society indulged in the dancing. The strains of the C. C. C. Orchestra were probably never heard to better advantage. The entire gathering voted the affair a great success, and all went home at an early hour this morning, happy and satisfied. It is the intention of the ladies to hold a similar evening's amusement on twelfth night when another large gathering is anticipated.

APOLOGIES TO COVE.
Day by day in every way I'm getting sicker and sicker, All I do is rave and rave. Beer, light wine and likker.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

FEDERAL VICTORY REPORTED.
MONGALES, Ariz., Dec. 27. Two thousand Federal soldiers under General Caceres marching from interior of Mexico to Rebel stronghold at Guadalajara made first contact with Rebel arms yesterday at Tampula, capturing the town after repelling the enemy with severe losses, according to official government advices received here last night. The defeated Rebels were part of the army under the command of General Sotro.

GERMANY TO BLAME.
PARIS, Dec. 27. Depreciation in French exchange was blamed by the Minister of Finance De Lasteysse on Germany's failure to pay reparations and "consequent evils."

ATTEMPTED MURDER OF PRINCE REGENT OF JAPAN.

TOKIO, Dec. 27. A Tokio youth dressed as a laborer was arrested by the police to-day after he had fired at the Prince Regent Hirohito in attempting his assassination. The police believe the youth to be insane. The shooting has aroused intense excitement and feeling is running high throughout the city.

HOPE OF DIXMUDE IS ABANDONED.

PARIS, Dec. 27. The loss of the dubious Dixmude is now reluctantly admitted although hope for the safety of the crew of fifty officers and men has not yet been relinquished.

PRINCE DENIES LOSS OF TITLE.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27. Prince Erik of Denmark denied here to-night that he renounced the title of Prince to marry Miss Booth, and declared he still retains his title in addition to the title of Count of Rothenburg bestowed by King Christian. He admitted the loss of his right to succession to the Throne.

VENEZUELOS' RETURN IS THE ONE TOPIC.

ATHENS, Dec. 27. Athens is talking little else but the decision of the former Premier Venizelos to return to Greece and give the benefit of his genius to the homeland. The country is split on the question. The Royalists to his programme. Anti-Venizelos sentiment is summed up by the Chora as follows: "Partisans of Venizelos are borrowing the same shouts of joy which signalled the legal and honest return of Constantine, but Venizelos is not returning as victor. His election majority is false and non-expert people are wearied through hatreds engineered by him."

15 INSANE PATIENTS PERISH IN A FIRE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27. Fifteen patients of the Chicago State Hospital for the Insane at Danzing, are believed to have been burned to death or suffocated in a fire which destroyed the frame structure used as a dormitory for tubercular patients to-night, and at least three others are believed to have perished. Attendants said possibly a score had perished but they believed the number would be less. The fire is thought to have started from an overheated boiler in the annex and the flames burst through into the rooms in which the men patients were dining. Many of those who are dead are believed to have been killed by suffocation, being overcome when the Guards were hurrying them into the drizzling rain outdoors. All were but mildly insane and there was little confusion, as they were lined up and marched to safety, some even remaining behind to help those who were overcome, or to attempt to fight the flames outside. Those who escaped found themselves temporarily without surveillance, and many wandered away into the city but were recognized by their hospital attire and finally all were guided back to the institution. The damage to the annex is estimated at one hundred thousand dollars. The institution which is on the edge of Chicago, consists of seven buildings, and houses thirty-hundred patients.

TITLE AND CLAIMS RENOUNCED.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 27. It is officially announced to-night that Prince Erik, of Denmark, on the occasion of his betrothal to Miss Lois Frances Booth, of Ottawa, renounced his right to the succession to the throne, and also his right to the title of Prince. King Christian has conferred upon him the title of Count of Rothenburg.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR DISTEMPER.

Anglicans Prosper
Communicants and Collections Have Greatly Increased in England.
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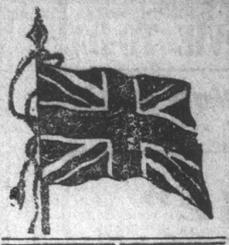
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Household Notes.
Flavor bread pudding with chocolate, and serve with hard sauce. Serve asparagus tips on toast with mushrooms or butter sauce. Garnish scrambled eggs with delicately crisped curls of bacon. When serving peas with lamb, season them delicately with mint. Tomato sauce gives the necessary pleasant flavor to a nut loaf. Sprinkle the sliced oranges for breakfast with shredded coconut. A delicious luncheon dish is scalloped rice seasoned with tomatoes. Chipped beef served in cream gravy is a splendid breakfast dish.

A Women's Secret Society
LONDON, Ont., Dec. 20.—(Canadian Press)—London will soon have the first Women's Secret Society Temple on the North American Continent. The Ladies of the Order of the Secret Star, which is a companion Order for Masonry, have already collected some \$10,000 with a view to erecting a \$100,000 building in this city, and are at present preparing to start the final section of their financial campaign.

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To Our Advertisers.

Following our usual custom THE EVENING TELEGRAM will issue at NOON on Monday (New Year's Eve). All copy for Monday's advertisements should be in our hands not later than 12 o'clock, noon, on Saturday.

The Burden of Taxation.

In every country the cry is heard: "Relieve us of the burden of taxation which is crippling industry and making life itself unbearable." Recently in referring to this matter we quoted the remarks made by Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart. and Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor to the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal. In the Monthly Review, Barclay's Bank, Ltd., the following comment on the reduction of taxation is made:

"From the experience of the past few years, it seems evident that we must regretfully accept the position that some of the factors affecting our trade are outside our control. But there are others dependent upon the conditions existing within this country, and these, to some extent at least, can be affected by concerted national effort. For example, the great strain imposed upon industry by excessive taxation can, up to a point, be dealt with internally. That this strain is amongst the several adverse factors affecting our trade is generally admitted, and it is not, therefore, surprising that many suggestions have been made for dealing with our national obligations in a manner which would make possible an immediate reduction in annual taxation."

"Taxes must be cut," is President Coolidge's warning to Congress. For seven years the people have borne with uncomplaining courage the tremendous burden of national and local taxation. These taxes must be reduced. The taxes of the nation must be reduced now as much as prudence will permit, and expenditure must be reduced accordingly. High taxes reach everywhere and burden everybody. They bear most heavily upon the poor. They diminish industry and commerce. They make agriculture unprofitable. They increase the rates on transportation. They are a charge on every necessary of life. Of all services which the Congress can render to the country I have no hesitation in declaring this one to be paramount. To neglect it to postpone it to obstruct it by unwise proposals, is to become unworthy of public confidence and untrue to public trust. THE COUNTRY WANTS THIS MEASURE TO HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY OVER ALL OTHERS."

The President forestalls the objection bound to be raised on the ground of expenditure, and says, "Reduce the expenditure." That is the matter for us to take to heart, and to impress upon our representatives when next they come round soliciting our votes. A glance at the figures in the Nfld. Year Book reveals a state of affairs that is truly startling. In 1911-12 the expenditure on current account was \$3,524,653. In 1920-21 it was \$10,951,489. The revenue during the same period increased from \$3,786,456 to \$8,438,040. It will be observed that whereas in 1911-12 the revenue was in excess of the expenditure, the reverse is the case in 1920-21. A business institution run on such lines would soon be wiped out, but the balance has been on the wrong side of the Government's accounts ever since 1915-16. The War, yes, of course the war was responsible for the piling up of

To Walter Edward Davidson, K. C. M. G.

WHO DIED AS HE WOULD HAVE WISHED, "AT THE WHEEL," SEPTEMBER, 1922. One of the noblest hearts of English breed— A man who looked, with calm and fearless eye, Into the future for the land he loved That he might better serve her destiny. Who dream'd of great adventure, high enterprise, And help'd to shape them to his country's needs, Inspiring, with his singleness of soul, Great hearts to blossom in heroic deeds. A friend, most loyal to his friends, a man Above all petty meanness, true as steel, Empire is poorer for his passing—he Most blest, in having perish'd at his wheel. —Sydney Jewell, in "United Empire."

Similar conditions exist in many Government Departments, but no Government has yet possessed sufficient courage to use the pruning knife. No attempt is made to economise. On the contrary each succeeding administration appears to seek other channels into which public moneys can be turned. If the public would realize that the one and only reason for the whole of the hardships which they have been suffering for years was due to the squandering of public funds, a change would soon be brought about. When the next election campaign takes place in this country, be it sooner or later, every constituency should insist that there must be but one issue and one only—Reduction of Taxation based on Reduction of Expenditure. Candidates who introduce any other subject should be refused a hearing, and treated as agitators, attempting to arouse political animosity for personal ends. Unanimity of action by the country in this direction would bring even the most case hardened professional politician to a full realization of the futility of his old-time methods, and either reform him or break him. The latter alternative would be far more beneficial so far as our politics are concerned than the former, and far more effective in improving the moral tone of our administrations.

Personal.

We are glad to learn that Mr. F. Davey, who has been seriously ill for some time, is improving. Mr. Henry, of Parson's Pond, has returned to St. John's from London. He will not leave for the West Coast before Mr. H. Weber, a colleague in the oil business, arrives from Trinidad. Capt. H. C. Oke, M.C. the son of Mr. J. C. Oke, who has been on the Military Staff of the Administration at Ilorin, Northern Nigeria, during the last two years, is at present on leave of absence, and returned to pay his family a visit by the Sechem. The engagement is announced of Harris Rendell Oke, M.C. of the Political and Administrative Services, Nigeria, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Oke, of this city, and Melinda Alice, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis DuChesne, of North Adams, Mass., U.S.A.

Entertainment by Mission-Band

The Gower Street Mission Band held an entertainment in the school-room of the Church last night which was well attended and reflected credit on the youthful performers. The programme consisted of a piano solo by Alice Butt, duet by Ruby and Lorna Field, trio by Elfrida Davis, Olive Field and Mabel Squires, recitations by Marguerite Sages and Joan Brown, exercises and choruses by the girls and boys. A feature of the programme was the presentation of white gifts by the children, who offered their missionary collection in little white bags, which were placed on a Christmas tree, the while they sang a pretty chorus. The concluding item was a cantata heralding the coming of Santa Claus, who presented the children with gifts from the Christmas tree, to their great delight.

Methodist Orphanage Christmas Tree

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. Mr. Reg. Dowden \$2.00 Mr. A. H. Murray \$10.00 Jim and Barbara McNab \$5.00 Rev. Hammond Johnson \$5.00 Miss Ethel Fenwick \$5.00 Mrs. P. H. Hudson \$5.00 Mrs. H. Soper \$5.00 Mrs. Minnie Drover \$5.00 Mr. J. Charles Carter \$5.00 Mrs. S. K. Bell \$20.00 Messrs. M. & E. Kennedy \$5.00 A. McM. McN. \$5.00 M. & E. Kennedy \$5.00 Mrs. T. J. Edens \$2.00 Peters & Sons \$10.00 Friend F. \$5.00 H. J. Whiteway & Co., Ltd. \$5.00 Herbert Wyatt \$5.00 Miss March \$1.00 Friend \$2.00 Mrs. Darby \$2.00 Methodist College Res. \$2.00 Tom Hamilton Woods \$4.43 Mrs. H. Wyatt \$5.00 Mrs. W. F. Horwood \$5.00 H. J. Taylor \$10.00 Friend \$5.00 Mrs. W. A. Tucker \$3.00 Bobbins and Flumbers \$10.00 G. A. Butler \$1.00 Lady Allardysse, six tennis balls; Joyce and Marion Furlong, candies; Mrs. Barrett, books; Mrs. John Maund, fruit; Miss Amy Maund, toys.

Christmas Services at Bar Haven

Christmas was fittingly celebrated by the congregation of St. Francis Xavier Church, Grand salmon High Mass was held by Rev. Fr. Cacciola at midnight, and on Christmas Day Second Mass was recited at 11 o'clock. Every preparation had been given to the musical part of the Masses, and a large and devoted congregation gathered to listen to, and take part in, the Musical Vespers.

Laid to Rest

The funeral of the late John P. Moakler, which took place yesterday afternoon, was attended by a large concourse of citizens, representative of all classes of the community. A guard of honor from the G. W. V. A. walked beside the hearse. At the R. G. Cathedral prayers for the dead were recited by Rev. Dr. Carter and interment took place at Belvedere.

Oporto Stocks.

Table with 3 columns: Stock Name, Dec. 24, Dec. 17. Includes British, Consumption, Norwegian, and Entered-Ronald Douglas.

Shipping.

S.S. Sabie I. left Halifax to-day for here, via North Sydney. The ship is due on Monday. S.S. Sittiva leaves New York Saturday, Dec. 29th, for Halifax and this port. S.S. Sagem, which leaves here tomorrow evening, sails from Boston on the 5th, for Halifax and from the latter port for here on the 8th January. Schr. Gordon F. Tibbo arrived at Burin, 24 days from Oporto, salt laden to S. Tibbo & Son, Grand Bank. Schr. A. Moulton has arrived at Burgo from Pernambuco in ballast. Schr. Max Horton has arrived at Burin, salt laden from Bonanza, making the passage in 22 days. Schr. M. Nicholson, from Buckport, has arrived at Channel, bound to Carling with a part general cargo.

Sachem Arrives

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES AT SEA. The following passengers arrived from Liverpool this morning by S. S. Sachem: W. J. Carow, Capt. E. L. Coates, W. E. Cockran, Mr. Henry, A. F. Laurie, Capt. H. R. Oke, Mrs. F. W. Orum, Miss J. I. Orum, Miss R. V. Orum, A. Plain, T. J. Robertson, H. A. Ross, Mrs. Ross, Miss E. Ross, Master H. W. Ross, Master J. E. Ross, Miss I. Shea. For the celebration of Christmas Day the saloon was decorated on Christmas Eve, and there was a great deal of festive gaiety amongst the passengers. In the evening at dinner (with a seasonal menu) several toasts were drunk, the company wishing success to the well known old passenger ship and her owners and Capt. Furneaux. Later, the following took part in an interesting concert: Mr. J. D. Henry (in the chair), Capt. B. L. Coates, Mr. Carow, Mr. W. E. Cockran (coming here to join the Methodist ministry), Mr. Hope-Hornon (Canadian bound), Mr. Plain (a new arrival for the Humber industry), and Messrs. Stanford, Corrigan, Metcalfe and Miller, members of the saloon staff. The passengers made Christmas a great old time on the ship, which made one of her best trips for the time of year.

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Earl of Devon in Port

SHIP MADE ALL PORTS OF CALL. S.S. Earl of Devon, Capt. Carter, arrived from ports as far North as Hampton at 6 o'clock last evening having accomplished the trip in the remarkably quick time of nine days. The ship returned with a full cargo of codfish and herring shipped by James Strong Ltd., Little Bay Islands and is being discharged at A. H. Murray's premises to-day. The Captain reports fine weather through the entire trip, no snow or frost has made its appearance on any part of the coast. From Herring Neck to this port the run occupied only 18 hours, which is considered a record. The epidemic of measles, which was very prevalent at Hampton in being gradually stamped out. No further deaths have been reported, and the nurses from the St. Anthony's hospital who were despatched there as speedily as possible have accomplished much good. Upwards of 1300 inhabitants are now settled down at Hampton, and included in this number are some 300 children. The Earl of Devon has now completed her charter and will lie up for the winter.

Magistrate's Court.

A drunk given in charge by his wife was liberated. A sea-faring man arrested by Const. Myers and Tansey for being drunk, and accusing a young girl named Rogers, was convicted and fined \$10.00 with the option of ten days imprisonment. Ladies' Warm Felt Footwear, in button and buckle styles, at SMALLWOOD'S, -dec24,tf

Coastal Boats.

GOVERNMENT. Argyle, no report since leaving Argentina. Clyde left Lewisporte 12.30 p.m. yesterday. Glencoe in port. Home left Forting Br. 2.15 p.m. yesterday. Kyle leaving Port aux Basques after arrival of Tuesday's express. Meigle leaving Arona to-night. Malakoff arrived Port Union 2.30 p.m. yesterday. Sagona left Parson's Pond 4.35 p.m. yesterday, outward. Portia is still at Bay of Islands. Prospero left Fogo 10.50 a.m., going north. Sari of Devon arrived from Hampton at 6 p.m. yesterday.

Train Notes

Tuesday's west bound express left Humbermouth at 10.30 this morning. The incoming express left Glenwood eight hours late, and is not due to reach the city before 10 o'clock to-night. The local Carboniferous and Trepassy trains arrived on time. ANNUAL TREAT - The annual treat to the poor children of the city, given by the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, takes place at the Presbyterian School this afternoon. Each year this Young People's Society distributes gifts to a large number of needy little ones.

Rotary Dines City

Boys in the Institute. The Rotary Club were hosts to a large number of boy guests who assembled in the Institute Hall to-day at one o'clock to partake of a sumptuous dinner. The hall was gaily decorated, and the eight presented at those eager faced boys gathered round the festive board were one to make glad the heart of every Rotarian, and was an eloquent tribute to their interest in boy welfare. In addition to the members of the club several other gentlemen were present including His Excellency the Governor, the Hon. W. R. Warren, the Hon. Tasker Cook and a representative gathering of the clergy from the city and outports. During the dinner, the boys joined heartily in the rendition of popular airs from the Rotary Song Sheet and several ladies rendered solos. The speaker of the day, His Excellency Sir Wm. Allardysse, gave a very stirring address to the boys, offering them every encouragement to strive out and make a career for themselves. His speech was received with great enthusiasm, and the kindly sentiments expressed will not soon be forgotten. Another feature of the day was President "Tim" Mitchell's message from Rotary which was as follows:— Boys! The Rotary Club welcomes you. Our wish is that you go "right to it" and have a good time as this is your party. We want your help to make this old town of St. John's a better place for boys to live and work in. To do this will take time, for you know "Rome was not built in a day." You must lend a hand and I will tell you how you can assist. First, you must guard and protect property, especially trees and flowers; do not break or destroy anything that belongs to another. Try to be good boys. Be good and you will be happy. Badness in a boy's soul is like a pencil mark on a sheet of white paper, you may rub out the blackness but the scratch remains. Be bright and manly. Be honest and truthful, for the liar is the thief's brother. Be true to your friends and "Play the game." Of course you have your troubles and worries, we know them, we were boys once; but now as men we aim to lessen our worries, and troubles and give you a better chance to live happily and grow to be better men in this our own home town. Wishing You a Happy New Year, T. M. MITCHELL, M.P.

Cardinal Begin

BANS DANCING AND THEATRES IN QUEBEC DIOCESE. In one of the most important pastoral letters issued since he became the head of the Archdiocese of Quebec and primate of the Catholic Church in Canada, His Eminence Cardinal Begin banned dancing, condemned the illicit manufacture of liquor, its sale and smuggling, warned the faithful against certain classes of moving pictures and plays, and announced that special instructions have been given to parish priests and members of the clergy regarding immodeest dress. The pastoral also cautions the people against non-religious social clubs, which may bring religious and national indifference to the people. The letter, which was read in all the churches of the archdiocese, last Sunday, is expected to be preliminary to similar documents in other sections of the province, and even throughout Canada, by the Catholic Church. It refers to nearly all modern dances, and the violation of the decree is regarded as a grievous offence. The ecclesiastical document was prepared at the recent Synod held in Quebec, which was presided over by His Eminence and attended by representatives of the Church from all sections. Coming a few days before the usual celebration on the occasion of Christmas and New Year holidays, the letter has created a commotion as it affects not only balls, but even private dances. As a result, many social affairs which had been arranged for the holiday season have been cancelled—Family Herald & Weekly Star.

"K." Boots, Brogues and Pumps at SMALLWOOD'S.

Thackeray liked his pipe and said so

—a great physical aid in conversation. William Makepeace Thackeray must have felt more than friendly towards smoking, for he wrote: "Honest men, with pipes or cigars in their mouths, have great physical advantages in conversation. The pipe draws wisdom from the lips of the philosopher and shuts up the mouths of the foolish."

Death of the Rev. Canon Cartwright

We regret to chronicle the death of the Reverend Canon Cartwright which occurred on December 4th in Edinburgh. During the time that the late Canon worked in St. John's he endeared himself not only to the members of the congregation to whom he ministered but to the community generally. Of commanding figure, charming personality, and scholarly attainments, he left an impression upon all with whom he came in contact, which the passing of the years has not obliterated from their minds. Harry Beauchamp Cartwright was a scholar of Christ Church, Oxford. He received his Degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1885 and his M. A. in 1893. He was ordained Deacon in 1886, and was priest in 1887. From 1886 to 1893 he was curate at St. James's, Collyhurst, and in the following year was appointed Priest in Charge of All Saints, Canlington Manor. Thence he removed to undertake work in Canada where he spent considerable time in the west. Returning to England in 1892, he was engaged in parish work at Hythe, and in 1895 was made Fellow of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury. From St. Augustine's he came out to Newfoundland, where he assumed the duties of Rector Canon and Sub Dean of the Anglican Cathedral. Six years of arduous work necessitated his return to England. He was then appointed sub Warden of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury. Many Newfoundland students who completed their theological studies at that institution have good reasons to remember with gratitude the warm personal interest which he took in them, and his assistance and advice which was always theirs for the asking. Rector of Adisham, Kent, in 1914, he left that living to engage in work in the poorer parish of Sheerness. From Sheerness he transferred his activities to Lockathead in the Diocese of Argyll, and the next and last post which he filled was that of Vice-Principal of Theological College of the Episcopal Church, in Edinburgh. There is general regret felt in town at his passing, and we feel certain that the same sentiments will be general in the many spheres of his activities.

ALL ONE PRICE \$24.00 Men's Tip Top Tailoring.

Dress Suit \$24.00 Tuxedo Suit \$24.00 Tweed and Serge Suits \$24.00 Winter Overcoats \$24.00 Dark Grey Overcoat, light weight \$24.00 Trousers \$8.00 Made to your measure in Toronto. Suits of Overcoats \$24.00 55% to land \$24.00 Postage \$1.25 Cost Landed \$24.17

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Preliminary Notice!

Grand Dance, Columbus Ladies' Association, Columbus Hall, on Monday, January 7th. Dance not confined to members only. Prince's Orchestra. dec27,11

BON MARCHE CASH STORE SMASH UP.

We will continue to sell goods at remarkable Smashing Prices, and we ask you to come inside and look around. Our broken window cannot be replaced until the Digby arrives from England. See our other window for SPECIAL PRICES. BON MARCHE CASH STORE dec27,11

BROADCASTING AT THE GRAND COLISEUM

UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH. MEN'S BLUE SERGE & TWEED SUITS. MEN'S BOYS, OVERCOATS & TWEED PANTS. SINGLE COATS & WADDED QUILTS. will be subject to a discount of Ten Per Cent (10%) Wishing everybody a Bright, Happy and Prosperous New Year. CROSS & CO., GRAND COLISEUM, 180 Duckworth St. dec27,th,s,w

Our Welsh Anthracite Coal!

Is the Best Hard Coal mined anywhere in the world. Contains less than half the ash of other kinds and will not clinker. Burns freely with poor draft and gives more heat. We can deliver from stock and have another cargo, all sizes due shortly. NORTH SYDNEY SCREENED COAL in Store and to arrive to-morrow ex. S.S. "Watuika." \$13.50. SCOTCH LUMP COAL—No Slack \$12.50. A. H. MURRAY & CO., Limited, Coal Office Phone 1867. Beck's Cove.

Here and There.

Buy Stafford's Ginger Wine—The best made—15c. per bottle. nov20,11 ANKLE SUPPORTS only 70c. a pair at SMALLWOOD'S. dec24,11 CUPS & SAUCERS—Best quality Queen's ware, for 12c. at S. RICH'D. STEELE'S, opp. Court House; also a full range of Teapots, Toilet Sets, Tea Sets, etc., all selling at remarkably low prices. ACKNOWLEDGMENT—We have received a calendar issued by the Riverside Woollen Mills Ltd., showing the Bluecross and Columbia under full sail. dec24,11

SNOWING ALONG RAILWAY.

The snow storm which is travelling over the city to-day extends as far west as Clarendville. West of there the weather is dull and cloudy. Men's, Boys' and Youth's Garments at SMALLWOOD'S. dec24,11

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Unusual Precaution Taken by Argentina

WHEN SHIPPING GOLD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(A.P.)—Patented by a ton of gold, over which twenty soldiers stood guard day and night, the steamship American Legion has arrived here with its precious treasure of \$5,000,000 in bullion from Buenos Aires. It is the first gold locally to be exported from Argentina since the wartime embargo and, according to Munson Line officials, the largest consignment ever to pass between the two continents.

The gold, in 20 oaken chests bound with metal and sealed, when shipped here by the Argentine National Bank for deposit against London drafts to pay the coupons on part of the Argentine external debt. Since the debt is payable in sterling, the gold probably will be exchanged for British pounds, after which it will go into storage to remain until it is mined or reissues in a stream of bullion constantly flowing between the United States and foreign countries.

Because of the difference in the rates of exchange the government of Argentina expects to profit to the extent of about 3,500,000 paper pesos in New York when the gold is exchanged for pounds sterling.

Handling large shipments of gold and silver bullion has become commonplace with trans-Atlantic steamship companies and the bullion is handled as so much "merchandise." But the shipment of a few millions from a South American country becomes a national event, and the steamship chosen for its transport is freighted with responsibility.

The removal of the \$5,000,000 from the Argentine National Bank to the ship was attended by the greatest of precautions. It was rushed through the streets of Buenos Aires accompanied by a guard of 200 men, armed with rifles and swords and hustled into the burglar-proof vaults of the American Legion. The precious cargo was under strict watch throughout the voyage. Upon arrival here similar precautions were taken, the regular police being augmented by armed guards, while the armored trucks that carried the gold to a government sub-treasury were protected by armed men.

Handling gold has become so commonplace with the largest trans-Atlantic steamship companies and the dock hands have become blasé about handling millions of the metal. The process of loading, storing and unloading gold in international shipments has become so systematized that the factors of responsibility and risk are considered hardly more than in the transportation of toys. An official of the International Maritime Marine explained that when the gold is placed in a ship's vault, in transporting the gold to and from ships, guards are usually provided by the consignor and consignee.

Hugh Contracts Now Being Made

TO SHIP OUR PULPWOOD TO U.S.A. MONTREAL—The deadly effect of the government's dilly-dallying with the pulpwood question is getting graphic demonstration in the new contracts that are being arranged almost daily for the exportation of Canadian pulpwood to the United States. Such a contract was reported by the Campbellton Graphic the other day in the following news item:

"An announcement of considerable interest came from the local office of the O. J. Klein Transportation Co. recently. During an extended trip to New York and through Eastern States, Mr. Klein signed huge contracts with American mills in the vicinity of Watertown and Carthage for their supply of wood. These handsome contracts stretch over a period of ten years and call for the shipment of 35,000 cords per annum.

"It is understood that this wood will be cut on lands acquired by Mr. Klein on the Matane Coast, and also by purchase from settlers in that territory and along the Gaspe and North-New Brunswick Coasts."

In the case of this contract, provision is made for the export to the United States of 350,000 cords of Canadian pulpwood which will bring the country around \$3,000,000. Made up into paper, the revenue to Canada would be closer to \$15,000,000. Canada loses the difference by permitting the export of the pulpwood in its raw state.

True it is an embargo may be put into effect if the pulpwood commission ever finishes its meetings; but all practical effects of the embargo have been removed by the order-in-council of last August that permitted the export for a period of ten years of pulpwood under contracts dated before June, 1923. American firms now arranging contracts for supplies of pulpwood are seeing that the contracts are dated before January, 1923, and it is anticipated that a large supply of the pulpwood available for export will be contracted for very shortly. The only remedy for the depriving of the freehold forests under these contracts will be the rescinding of the order-in-council, the origin of which has never yet been explained by Premier King.—Financial Post.

To Help You Prepare For the New Year's Festivities

We have gathered together a number of extremely generous offerings, of Seasonable Goods, deserving of your earliest attention, for the last three shopping days of the year.

Friday, Saturday and Monday

Seasonable Showroom Offerings

Shirtwaists

Made of good quality Tub Silk, with the two way collar; long sleeves. Reg. \$3.20 each. Sale Price **\$2.70**

Smocks.

Natural Shantung; round neck, half sleeves, finished with hem-stitching and lace, cord running through waist line. Reg. \$4.25 each. Sale Price **\$3.60**

Shirtwaists.

Crepe de Chine; colors of White, Mauve, Sand, Grey and Nigger; two way collar, buttoned cuffs. Reg. \$7.75 ea. Sale Price **\$6.60**

Slip-ons.

Silk and Wool; round neck, long sleeves, cord running through waist line, in combination shades of Lavender and White, Sand and White. Reg. \$5.00 ea. Sale Price **\$4.35**

Children's Dresses.

Colors of White, Pale Blue and Pink; tucked skirt, long sleeves, Buster bow, with fancy stitching of self-colored silk; to fit ages 1 to 2 years. Regular \$1.75 each. Sale Price **\$1.50**

Dressing Gowns

Wool lined Satin Dressing Gowns, in beautiful shades of Lemon, Sage, Helle and Flame, trimmed with contrasting shades; Kimono style with belt. These are very serviceable, being washable. Reg. \$21.75 each. Sale **\$18.60**

Wool Underskirts.

Fine Jersey Knit in shades of Peacock and Camel; neatly worked around tail with blanket stitch, and draw string at waist. Reg. \$2.20 ea. Sale Price **\$1.95**

Underwear.

Fleece lined, Pants and Vests; sizes 36 to 44; Vests are high neck, and long sleeves; Pants are ankle length. These are very special quality. Reg. 80c. garment. Sale **72c.**

Brushed Wool Sets.

Consisting of Coat, Cap and Leggings, in combination shades of Pink and White, Fawn and Sky, and Striped and White; to fit up to 1 year. Regular \$12.75 per set. Sale Price **\$10.80**



Winter Gloves at Special Prices

Men's Gloves.

Tan Kid, wool lined throughout; all sizes. Regular \$3.90 pair. Sale Price **\$3.25**

Kid Gloves.

Men's Kid Gloves, wool lined throughout; all sizes. Regular \$2.55 pair. Sale **\$2.20**

Suede Gloves.

Brown Suede, wool lined; elastic at wrist; all sizes. Regular \$4.75 pair. Sale **\$2.30**

Men's Gloves.

Brown Suede, wool lined; all sizes; a very special quality. Regular \$4.50 pair. Sale Price **\$3.75**

Women's Suede Gloves.

2 domes, wool and fur lined; in colors of Brown and Grey; sizes 6 to 7 1/2. Regular \$6.50 pair. Sale Price **\$5.35**

Millinery Specials

Felt Hats. Soft Felt, in colors of Navy, Jade, Red, Brown, Grey and Mauve; trimmed with a band of merv ribbon, touched up with a bright shade of Gold and Henna. Rolled brim at back, drooping a little over the face; suitable for women or misses. Reg. \$4.25 each. Sale **\$4.20**

Children's Felt Hats. Felt Hats in bonnet shapes, colors of Navy, Brown and Corrie. A pleat of different shades makes a pretty band, with loops; suitable for children from 5 to 8 years. Regular **90c.** Sale Price **\$1.00**

Ribbon.

Corded Ribbons, in a big variety of assorted shaded effects; 5 inches wide, suitable for Millinery purposes and Hair Ribbon; exceptionally good value. Regular 60c. yard. Sale **49c.**

Falsiey Ribbon.

4 inches wide; in an assortment of pretty Oriental designs and colorings. Reg. **34c.** Sale Price **40c.**



New Hearth Rugs

Hearth Rugs. Mohair Hearth Rugs, in colors of Green, Gold, Red and Black. These are exceptionally good-looking; size 27 x 60. Regular \$10.75 each. Sale Price **\$9.60**

Mohair Hearth Rugs. Same quality and colors as above in a slightly larger size. Regular \$12.00 each. Sale Price **\$10.80**

Stair Carpet. Tapestry Carpet; 18 inches wide, good quality, shades of Red, Green and Fawn. Regular \$1.50 yard. Sale Price **\$1.35**

Special in Toilet Requisites

Talcum Powder. Three Flowers, in frosted bottles. 73c. Regular 90c. bottle. Sale Price **73c.**

Colgate's Talcum. In frosted bottles; perfumed in Chamberg, Florient and Vision de Fleurs. Regular 80c. bottle. Sale Price **65c.**

Men's Toilet Sets. Consisting of Certified Complexion Soap, Certified Talcum Powder, and Witch Hazel and Almond Cream; in two sizes. Small size. Reg. \$1.90 set. Sale Price **\$1.58** Large size. Reg. \$2.50 set. Sale Price **\$2.07**

Combination Set. Toilet Soap and Talcum Powder in assorted Perfumes. Regular 60c. box. Sale **50c.**

Luxor Toilet Sets for Men. Consisting of Sylvan Toilet Water, Sylvan Talcum, Superfine Shaving Powder, Antiseptic Tooth Paste and Certified Complexion Soap. Reg. \$2.90 set. Sale Price **\$2.40**

Silk Scarves

Scarves. Grey Silk Knitted Scarves, 46 inches long and 16 inches wide; fine knit, heavy quality Silk; finished with wide fringe. Regular **\$2.50** Sale Price **\$2.30**

Boxed Handkerchiefs. White Swiss Muslin; embroidered corners, hemstitched and lace edge; 6 to a box. Regular \$3.30 box. Sale Price **\$2.97**

Linen Handkerchiefs. Hemstitched border, very neatly embroidered. Reg. 40c. each. Sale Price **27c.**

Perfume. Hindustani Perfumes, in medium size bottles; in all the popular odours. Regular **95c.** \$1.20 bottle. Sale Price **95c.**

Special Footwear Values

Men's Boots.

Glove grain, Blucher style, bellows tongue; tan only; all sizes. The ideal Winter Boot. Regular \$5.90 pair. Sale Price **\$4.52**

Glove Grain Boots.

Black Glove Grain; Blucher style, bellows tongue, heavy sole; all sizes. Just the thing for Winter wear. Regular \$5.20 pair. Sale Price **\$5.60**

Hockey Boots.

Dark Tan; all Leather, all sizes; specially reinforced. Regular \$4.10 pair. Sale **\$3.80**

Kid Slippers.

Men's Black Kid Slippers, soft sole; very comfortable. Special, per pair **\$1.44**

Men's Felt Slippers.

Colors of Brown and Green; soft sole; all sizes. Reg. \$1.50 pair. Sale Price **\$1.30**

Men's Jaeger Slippers.

In assorted check patterns; leather sole; all sizes. Reg. \$1.65 pair. Sale Price **\$1.50** Reg. \$2.40 pair. Sale Price **\$2.16**

Skating Boots.

Brown Calf Skating Boots for ladies; low heel, round toe; 8 inch leg; sizes 5 1/2 to 6. **\$5.40**

Skating Boots.

Black Box Calf; strengthened heel; wide heel, rounded toe, instep strap; all sizes. Regular \$4.85. Special, per pair **\$4.85**

Hockey Boots.

Ladies' Hockey Boots in Black and Brown Calf; wide heel, rounded toe, instep strap; all sizes. Regular \$2.55 pair. Sale **\$2.30**

Suede Slippers.

Colors of Red and Blue; soft sole; sizes 3 to 6. Regular \$2.55 pair. Sale **\$2.30**

Felt Slippers.

Colors of Lavender, Wine and Green; ribbon trimmed; all sizes. Reg. \$1.75 pair. Sale Price **\$1.58**

Women's Spats.

12 button lengths; colors of Brown, Beaver, Fawn and Black; all sizes. Regular **\$1.55** Sale Price **\$1.75**

Special Bargains From Our Men's Section

Get Ready for the New Year

This is the one time of the year when a man must look his best. His appearance assumes a tremendous importance. Our wide assortment of Men's Furnishings at special prices will prove of great assistance to you. Read these items of real thrift.

Men's Ties

Silk Ties. Wide flowing ends, in a big assortment of plain and fancy colors. The very newest. Reg. \$2.10 each. Sale Price **\$1.75**

Wide End Ties. In a wide variety of very smart patterns; in the very newest colors. Reg. \$1.50 each. Sale Price **\$1.25**

Wool Socks. Men's pure Wool socks, in assorted shades with all the newest fancy stripes and clocks. Very serviceable. Reg. \$1.25 pair. Sale Price **\$1.05**

Overcoat

Men's Overcoats. Doubt breasted styles, in heavy Melton Cloth, assorted dark colors, assorted sizes. These are extra special value. Reg. \$20.50 each. Sale Price **\$18.50**

Boys' Sport Suits.

Made from best quality Tweeds, in assorted Light and Dark patterns; lined throughout. To fit ages 3 to 11 years. 9 to 13 years. Reg. \$ 9.50 each. Sale Price **\$8.70** 13 to 17 years. Reg. \$10.50 each. Sale Price **\$9.60**

Winter Caps

Men's Caps. Assorted Heather mixtures; close fitting inside ear band with storm front; all sizes. The ideal Winter Cap. Reg. 2.75 Sale Price **\$2.50**

Men's Shirts

Percale Shirts. White ground with assorted colored stripes, double cuffs and starched collar band. Made of extra strong Percale; sizes 14 to 16 1/2. Reg. \$2.35 each. Sale Price **\$2.19**

Boys' Caps.

In a big variety of all New patterns, with inside ear band; all sizes. Reg. \$1.00 each. Sale Price **89c.**

Men's Pyjamas.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Canadian Press).—Two generations ago Chas. Francis Adams, then Minister to England, gave a barrel of Newtown Pippins from his native Massachusetts to Queen Victoria, the favor of which so pleased that discriminating lady that every year thereafter she ordered a supply of such fruit from the same orchards. And now her stately discriminating great-grandmother, Princess Mary, having sampled the output of New Jersey orchards a year ago, is having a crate of Winesaps shipped to England to figure in the dessert of her Christmas dinner.

Under the caption, "Our Supreme Apples," the New York Tribune gives us this interesting information. Ought not the Women's Institution of Canada see to it that next year the merits of the juicy Canadian apple are placed before Princess Mary. Surely the Prince of Wales might have given her a brotherly hint on the subject! "Our Supreme Apples!" This is terrible!

But in another column of the same paper we are given faint consolation. The expert shopper for the New York Women's Institutes "Column" writes: "We went to talk meats and fowl and fish and got held up at the cheese stand the first thing. Did you ever eat Canadian cheddar, at 40 cents a pound? Pale, soft and with a surprising tang, but not strong—perfect for sandwiches, salads or for a rarebit."

London to Near East Air Service to be Extended

Munich, Dec. 14 (A. P.)—Plans for a comprehensive air service from London to Persia were outlined by Major von Tschudi in a recent lecture at the Munich Museum before a meeting of representatives of various companies operating airplanes commercially in Europe. A trans-European union was established which Professor Junkers and many other men prominent in the world of aircraft joined. Bavaria, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, and the leading airplane companies of all these countries are represented in the union.

It contemplates the extension of the London-Cologne-Fuerth service by night flights along the Danube to Budapest in hydroplanes which will be guided by reflectors along the river. Before 1926 this union hopes to extend this service to Braila on the Black Sea, to Russia, Persia, Greece, Turkey and Spain.

Sailing Ships

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SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Clipper ships and merchant schooners of the old days—symbols of a past era of adventure—are being assembled here from the nooks and crannies of many ports. The romance of their careers will close in a burst of thrills. What if the thrills be tinned? They will be none the less real to the movie audiences of a nation.

Some of the ancient windjammers are destined to reach Davy Jones' locker in a way their builders never dreamed of. While the cameras stand by, they will be wrecked by "terrible storms" or scuttled by pirates. Hand-to-hand fights will be waged on their decks. From some of them high flames may shoot at the signal of a director. The movie companies recently have bought many of these archaic craft, for which commerce has no further use. The vessels will be altered to fit the "script," thus becoming Chinese junks, vikings' ships, historic men-of-war or what-not.

Bogus Royalty Finds it Easy to Fool Germans

Berlin, Dec. 14 (A. P.)—Democratic Germany has not ceased to worship at the throne of royalty and because of this bogus prince with hyphenated and unpronounceable names often flummox the German public. A make-believe prince with a sense of humor and taste for expensive automobiles and high living recently lived here in a number of German cities at the expense of exclusive hotels and garages which cater to the high-born by assuming the title Prince Haasborst von Iseburg-Bierstein. His name varied from time to time.

In North Germany he posed as Count von Ohr, or Count of the Ear. Sometimes he paid his bills in bad checks when proprietors of hotels became too insistent, but generally he moved along before they got tired of extending credit to royalty. Berlin police officials have run down the man's record and say he is a twenty-four-year-old salesman who has been known in police circles of North Germany for several years. In some cases where he was not able to obtain an automobile he engaged chauffeurs and explained to hotelkeepers that his auto was coming in a few days.

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Blackmailing at Elections

A Political Agent Describes How Candidates are Fleeced.

As soon as a Parliamentary candidate sets foot in a constituency he becomes a mark for "blackmailers," and he has to come to terms with them or take the consequences, which include defeat at the polls.

Since he is expected to subscribe to every club in the district, a number of clubs are created expressly for the purpose of "milking" him, and he is bound to hear from many brigands in urgent need of temporary relief. If one of these pests is not out of work, he is certain to have an ailing wife or a delicate daughter who requires change of air and scene.

The cost of silence.

The candidate, too, must submit to blackmail in still uglier forms. At the last General Election a man got an inkling that a certain jobmaster was secretly supplying horses on behalf of a candidate. He rang up the trader on the telephone, and impersonating the candidate's agent, asked for his account, receiving the reply that it would be sent round in a quarter of an hour. He had a witness to this conversation, and the ushnet was that the candidate was "bled" for £10.

Occasionally the same end is attained by circulating, or threatening to circulate, scurrilous leaflets and pamphlets. A man who represented a northern constituency for many years, once paid £500 for one hundred copies—all there were in existence—of such a production.

If, as sometimes happens, a budding legislator has a past that is not altogether flawless, a blackmailing may attack him without investing in paper and print. A certain candidate had this experience on the eve of an election, and, though the incident which was to be broadcast was not true, he paid the blackmail £1,000 to keep quiet.

Some years later the candidate had his revenge. The story was repeated on the platform by a political opponent, whereupon the aggrieved man sued him for libel, and gained a verdict for £10,000.

Now and again, moreover, a candidate is made to pay by threat to break up his meetings. This kind of blackmail is sometimes met by importing a crowd of the "boys" from neighbouring towns. But disturbances are dangerous, and the ruffians who put the screws on this way are usually "sweetened."

There is a further species of blackmail—that levied by "colleagues" who are strong party supporters. It takes

the form of gross overcharges for goods supplied and services rendered. Sometimes such overcharges are more than the candidate dare pay in the usual manner; but this difficulty is easily overcome. A man renders a bogus bill, which is duly met, and the amount of which is returned in the election expenses. Afterwards he is paid the balance surreptitiously. In this way the permissible expenses may be exceeded by hundreds of pounds.

Of course, many candidates will not submit to blackmail, no matter how it may be disguised. Some announce at the beginning of a campaign that they do not intend to subscribe to any charities, and at the last election one had the courage to declare from the platform that he would not give a penny to anybody, as he could not afford it.

If all candidates would only have the moral courage to make a firm stand against the disgraceful blackmailing to which they are subjected would soon become as rare as flagrant bribery is now.

Where Honesty is a Crime

THE WORLD'S MOST REMARKABLE ROGUES.

(By ST. NIHAL SINGH.)

The oddest job, possibly, assigned to any official in India or elsewhere, is held by a British official, Mr. H. W. Starte, who has been appointed the official father-confessor to a number of tribes which take to crime as a duckling to water.

Among these "criminal" tribes in India, crime descends from father to son and is literally a hereditary profession. Crime among them is regulated according to caste. One group specializes in cattle-lifting, another in counterfeiting, and so on.

That sort of thing has happened for so many centuries that the moral instinct has been practically killed in these people. For a member of a caste which specializes in thieving to decline to engage in it would be regarded as an act of backsliding on his part for which he would be out-cast. In short, it would constitute a social crime for one of them to lead an honest life!

The training of children of the criminal tribes begins as soon as they start to take note of their surroundings. I was told by a high police officer who has been intimately associated with these tribes that the parents show a coin, secret it, and then ask the child where it is. As their intention is to make the child

say it has no knowledge of the whereabouts of the money, it is coaxed and beaten by turns until it is able to lie without betraying it in any way. After that lesson has been mastered, the child is taken to villages and made to act as a scout for older criminals, and still later is taught the rudiments of committing crime in which he is to specialize.

Girls are trained to act as guides and helpers only, the actual commission of crime being left to the men, aided by boys. On the pretext of selling vegetables, fruit and gewgaws, they manage to secure access to houses. So tentative does their money become that they are liable to go back and give an exact plan of the house, showing how best to secure the valuables and get away.

On being asked to take on the job of looking after these criminal tribes, which wander from place to place, making it difficult for the police to track them and bring home to them the crimes they had committed, Mr. Starte spent some time in studying their language, ways, and psychology. With great difficulty he succeeded in gaining the confidence of some of them, and by degrees showed them how much happier they would be if they would settle down and pursue an honest calling instead of living in fear of the police.

To tame these tribes and to teach them civilized habits and trades a number of settlements have been established in various towns of the Bombay Presidency. Mr. Starte, who initiated the experiment, is in charge of them all.

On visiting the settlement at Bilapur, I found that each principal tribe lived by itself. Thieves, robbers, burglars, counterfeiters, and cattle thieves each own their own little colony. They quickly learn to be skilled workers, particularly the counterfeiters, and after a short period of training, become good blacksmiths, carpenters, masons and domestic servants.

A Colony of Counterfeiters.

While visiting the counterfeiters' colony my attention was drawn to a little booth containing an image clad in gaudy clothes and garlanded with roses, jasmine, and marigolds. The officer conducting me told me that this was the particular god of the counterfeiters, and they always worshipped it and promised it a share of the proceeds of their crime before actually committing it. The god remains, and the instinct to worship it, but the propensity to commit crime is being educated out of the people.

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Master of the Rolls

Quaint History of a Famous Office.

The recent appointment of Sir Ernest M. Pollock as Master of the Rolls has drawn attention to the very interesting origin and development of a high judicial office.

In very early days a Clerk of the Chancellor's department of the Curia Regis, where all Writs, Charters, and so on were prepared for the Great Seal, is mentioned as supervisor of the Scribe who composed the Chancellor's Roll (which quickly grew into Rolls). During the Middle Ages the principal of the many Clerks (or Masters who assisted the Chancellor) was styled the Keeper of the Rolls, John de Langton, 1286, was the first.

In 1316 William de Ayrmyrne for the first time combined Keeper of the Rolls with Keeper of the Domus Conversorum in Chancery Lane, a home since Henry III.'s time for converted Jews. There he deposited the Rolls.

A King's Favourite.

The House was in 1378 granted by Edward III. to the Keeper, and so became the College of the Chancery Men, and by putting the Clerk into possession thereof the Chancellor made him Keeper.

He very soon acquired importance; assisted the Chancellor judicially; ranked in 1388 after the Chief Justice but before the Chiefs of the Common Pleas and Exchequer; and in 1433, while the Chancellor was in France, exercised the jurisdiction.

As the Chancery Court developed the judicial duties of all the Masters increased; but from the first a large share fell to the Master of the Rolls, whom the Judges at times assisted. The designation, however, does not appear in any statute until 1496. In Henry VIII.'s reign he was occasionally named Vice-Chancellor, and until then was always a cleric.

James I. took another view. He regarded the office as a sinecure in spite of the Special Commission delegating a jurisdiction distinct from that of the other Masters to the Master of the Rolls to hear causes generally a practice since Wolsey's time so usual that Coke states he hears causes and makes Orders in the Chancellor's absence.

King James, however, appointed a Scottish favourite who knew nothing of the duties; but not again.

After 1623 the Master with the Chancellor regulated the practice of the Court, and despite the jealousy of the other Masters came to be in fact the Chancellor's deputy generally. The Statutes of 1729 and 1833 established and increased his authority and powers; and that of 1883 founding the Public Record Office constitu-

Talking With Mars

Further back than the memory of the oldest inhabitant can travel there has been talk of communication with Mars. It is the nearest of the planets to the earth, and therefore naturally selected as the object of all astronomical experiments.

Would the world be any happier if it were to discover that another gas-bell, wallowing in space like itself, housed a type of human being more emancipated, better educated, cleverer, greater and happier than we are? Would it enable us to do our daily work any better, or be better companions over the dinner-table at night, or talk to our children, or help friends out of worries and difficulties, if we knew that up in Mars they had no difficulties, felt no worries, did not have to work for a living, and enjoyed a sort of perpetual dolce far niente? Or, on the other hand, if we were to discover that the inhabitants of Mars were a people lower in human development than we are, if we were to be shocked by the revelation of

Famous Masters.

Formerly he could sit in the Commons, a usage defended by Lord Macaulay, but ended by the Judicature Act, 1873. He was made a judge of the Chancery Division and ex officio of the Court of Appeal exclusively.

Sir William Grant, "a perfect model of judicial excellence"; Henry Bickerseth, Lord Langdale, "the Father of Record Reform"; Sir George Jessel, a Jew; Lords Esher, Cozens-Hardy, Swinfen, and Stenderdale are amongst the more famous Masters.

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human horrors such as it makes the brain reel to contemplate, would we be any the better off for the knowledge of the fate we had escaped? Is it better to adventure into worlds unknown out of curiosity, or to rest content to live our own lives to the best of our ability and serve, as best we may, humanity and ourselves?—Montreal Star.

"This woman told me that the Turks had all gone; and as we were talking I saw a party of about twenty people, with a white flag, coming down the sloping road from the town. Their leader, who turned out to be the chief man of the place—a sort of mayor, I take it—gave me to understand in very broken English that he wished to surrender the city."

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Birth Control and the Empire

A DANGEROUS APPEAL TO SELFISHNESS.

By LORD MORRIS, P.C., K.C., ex-Prime Minister of Newfoundland.

At a time like the present, when the Ministers of the great congregation of States which make up the British Empire are considering the important question of filling up under the British flag the great vacant spaces of the Old and New Worlds, the question of Birth Control has a special significance for us all.

No country, past or present, has achieved such success in colonizing as has Great Britain and Ireland. One might say since the discovery of the New World the British have gone overseas and settled, and planted the Union Jack in every corner of the ocean. It was the overflow of the surplus population, that trade and industry could not support at home, who carved out new homes for themselves in the newly discovered lands. In these homes the English set themselves the task of subduing the forest; the lessons of Empire were learnt on these strange shores. The mastery of the seas was acquired, and the colonial territories now girding the globe had their origin in these early settlements. We poured an endless stream of prime, lusty manhood across the ocean: we have been the great generating-house of colonial power. The populations now inhabiting our great Dominions and the other far-flung portions of the British Empire were of our own island stock, and it was this kith-and-kin bond that bound us together when Germany rose up to annihilate the Homeland.

Imperial Suicide.

It is inconceivable how any one studies the founding and growth and expansion of our Empire can find a dam across that river of future power and loyalty. Without free birth we shall have no one to go from here to fill up the great empty spaces. Stripped of all polite dressing, birth control means that, instead of allowing our overflow of labour to carry its influence across the world, we shall prevent that excess labour from being born. The ancient empire which once stood where Britain stands to-day has declined and fell from the moment it adopted the abhorrent cult of Malthus. We need not go back to the despotic empires of Rome and Greece for illustration and example. When the tragedy of the Napoleonic wars had been lived to a finish the signing of peace found France a ravaged and distressed country. Wealth, which is nothing more or less than commercial productivity, had departed from her; she had lost both trade and trade outlets. She was in that state of national convalescence that we are in to-day. The inevitable result was that there were more mouths to feed than food to feed them. Birth control became a factor of French national life, and from that hour France's manpower began to decrease. When the World War broke out France was the only nation whose manpower showed a decrease on the ten-yearly census, and her population had been decreasing for many years. To-day she is using black troops in the occupied territories of Germany.

There may be rare cases where from the standpoint of health or other genuine cause a limitation of family may be permitted—yet they are rare cases; but when birth is controlled for mere motives of convenience, to give people more time for sport, society, and the thousand and one reasons now assigned by those who have recourse to contraceptives, there can be no satisfactory answer. For those who believe in Christianity, who believe in hereafter, whose lives are governed by the tenets of the New Testament, no justification will be found. On the contrary, they are expressly told they are not to consider the natural consequences which flow from large families. "Take no thought of your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor what you shall put on. Is not the life not more

than meat and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air, they sow not, neither do they reap." Those who do not believe in Christian God, who are atheists and agnostics, who look on all things around them as the result of accident, natural phenomena not controlled by any Architect or First Great Cause—they in turn will not find any precedent in nature, in the animal, vegetable, fish, or bird kingdoms, for birth control; they are carrying out the great command, "Increase and multiply." The fundamental and basic principle on which the earth was peopled was that the human race should be propagated in the natural order. That is the dominant reason for existence. "Increase and multiply"—that is the whole and sole object of human life.

Marriage Not Compulsory.

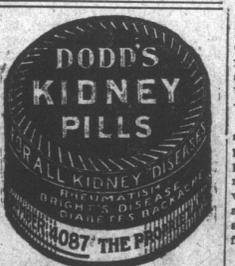
People need not get married; they are not bound to get married, but if they do so it is for the sole purpose of uniting their love for a definite end, namely, that the human race should be propagated. Having married, neither party may arrest or control in any way the natural results of their union. To do so is a crime and a sin, not alone in its effect upon themselves, but, far more serious, in its effect on posterity, over whose destiny it was never intended by God that they should have control. St. Paul, the great interpreter of Christianity, made it quite clear that there was no obligation on any one to marry, nor is there. Indeed, he pointed out that the higher life is celibacy, but that if people were not able to resist the attractions of conjugal union, and were likely to fall into forbidden sin, then it was better to marry than burn, meaning that to run the risk of incurring the consequences both here and hereafter. Clearly, therefore, when people marry, it is not merely for the pleasure of companionship, but to shoulder the full responsibilities of married life in its relation to God and the State.

If such a principle as is now suggested ever became general, then it would be only a question of calculating when the human race would become extinct. History furnishes illustrations of the extinction of plant and animal life, the result of a change of environment. The human being is equally liable, and subject to the danger of extinction by any serious sustained attack on its moral and physical environment, and when that is still further weakened by the encroachments of physical degeneracy which always follow on birth control, then, indeed have we cause for despair.

It may be said, "What are we to do with our surplus population in Great Britain, which is being added to at the rate of a thousand a day?" The answer must be, "Do what was done in the past; construct an intelligent emigration policy, improve home markets, so that people will have the means of earning sufficient to keep themselves and their families in comfort and decency; spend less on luxury, and in that way give the worker a better wage; enabling him to increase his purchases in the home market. Teach people who are not in a position to bring large families into the world that it is their duty to exercise moral restraint."

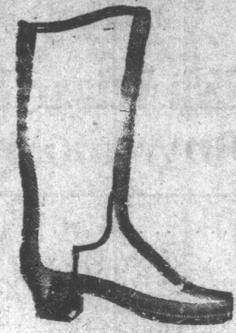
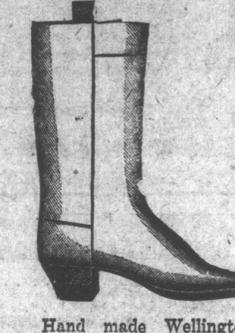
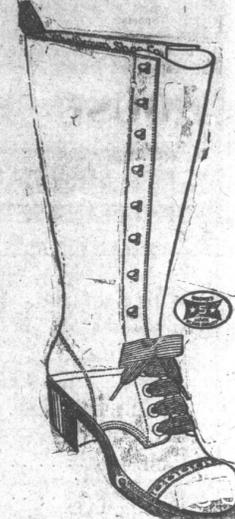
Moral Restraint.

We hear from time to time of the awful sufferings of the mothers and the children who constitute large families, but that is no reason why methods which violate both the natural



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and divine law should be resorted to to cure this evil. Hard cases make bad law. We should all be the better in every walk of life if we had a little more moral restraint preached to us, and if we all made an effort to follow such precepts. I am no believer in the old maxim, "Where ignorance is bliss 'tis folly to be wise"; but here again let us observe the golden rule and be temperate. There is a difference between acquiring the knowledge which every man and woman ought to have, and the satisfying of that mere prurient curiosity, the outcome of that flood of pestilential sex-knowledge now flowing all over the land. No one would accuse the people of the United States of being behind the times in the up-to-dateness of their knowledge of eugenics, and yet I understand that it is an offence against the law in every State of the Union to spread information dealing with the prevention of conception.

The argument that the world is unable to produce enough food to support the race if the present increase in population continues is untenable. A remedy is no remedy at all if it is worse than the evil it aims at curing, and history shows that the inventions and discoveries of science can keep fully abreast of the normal demand.

Thus I think that if the theories expounded by those who advocate

birth control are seriously entertained and adopted generally, it cannot fail to affect injuriously in the very near future the strength of the British race at home and in every other portion of our far-flung Empire.

Horse Faces Extinction in Century, Says Savant

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 14 (A. P.)—Statistics recently circulated stated that horses, in large measure freed, because of motor power, from the labours, that made them beasts of burden were increasing rather than diminishing in number. But now comes Professor E. L. Furlong, curator of the vertebrate collection at the University of California, with the prediction that the horse will be virtually extinct on the American continent in another century.

Professor Furlong is so confident of his supposition that he has started for posterity a collection of all modern specimens of the equine family. His collection will rest in the museum of paleontology, along with the bones of the three-toed horse and other prehistoric kin.

Recalling the dominating position of motor conveyances in the cities, Professor Furlong adds: "Daily the tractor and the automobile are tak-

ing the place of the horse in rural life. As the usefulness of the horse passes, so will the necessity for the purposes with which he has been identified since time immemorial will be a curiosity. In another hundred years you may find horses in zoos. I am sure you will not find them anywhere else."

EGGS—Strictly fresh Canadian Eggs. Every egg guaranteed selling during the holiday season at 60c. dozen. W. E. BEARN'S 2 Stores, Hay Market and Rawlins' Cross.—dec14,t

Destroy Insanitary Meat

Washington, December 20, (A. P.)—Federal inspection laws have been in operation for 17 years. During this time more than 3,500,000 whole carcasses and more than 12,000,000 parts of carcasses have been condemned and made unfit for food purposes through the vigilance of federal meat inspectors.

PARTRIDGE BERRIES.—500 gallons nice Ripe Berries, 40c. gallon, at W. E. BEARN'S 2 Stores, Haymarket and Rawlins' Cross.—dec13,t



HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

WALT MATON

Along the churchyard paths I walked, and presently they hit a grave because they could not stop; and here they're sleeping, woe is me, with marble shafts on top. And some would talk while yet they drove, with those who rode behind; and by the mere and through the grove we saw them go it blind; though in the bylaws duly versed, they gave such

laws no thought; and then they were embalmed and hearsed, and here they doomsday brought." "Gramercy said I, 'ancient man, my feet are growing cold; for always, in my pit, sedan, I've dar'ng been and hold. Be since your grisly tale I've heard I driv' with ceaseless care; I get the reckless absurd won't get me anywhere."

Household Notes.

Serve sautéed tomatoes with bacon curia.

Season corn chowder with a little tomato.

Serve hot, sliced tongue in tomato sauce.

Add a little sliced green pepper to creamed celery.

Fill core apples with sliced bananas and bake.

Onion sauce is delicious served with hot sliced lamb.

A little quince gives a pleasing flavor to apple sauce.

Onions are good stuffed with bread crumbs and baked.

Hollandaise sauce is nice served with baked, stuffed fish.

Garnish canned pear salad with shredded dates and nuts.

Apple sauce is rather nice spiced or seasoned with lemon.

MUTT AND JEFF — THE DAYS OF MIRACLES ARE PAST. — Ry Bud Fisher.

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We appreciate to the fullest, the ready response to our numerous advertisements along the trail of 1923, and we promise to achieve even greater efforts on our part for the coming year, to retain the many friendships and recollections of this our busiest year.

WE THANK YOU.

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For New Year's Day
A very special line for New Year's Day. In Canton Crepe and Silk Jersey, straight line effects, winsome styles, short and 3/4 sleeves, side panels, wide belt and buckle, shade of Navy, Grey, Sand, Tan and Black. sizes 16 to 48. Regular \$16.00. Special \$13.50

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Extra full width and large all over lace patterns, full 3 yards long, handsome Curtains. A real snapper. Reg. \$5.00 pair for \$4.58

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Large half bleached Turkish Towels, they're strong and serviceable. Regular 65c. value. Special 54c. each.

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Double bordered Cream Caseiments, fancy floral effects, 27 inch width. Special 26c.

FLUSH MATS.
Rich looking and enduring, nice to step on your parlor, dining room or bedroom, plain ends, shades of Crimson, Green and Black. Reg. \$1.70. Special \$1.48

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10 inch height, 4 buckle gaiters, warmly lined, your friend during a Newfoundland winter. sizes 6 to 10. Special \$4.38

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Men's high-cut Storm Rubbers, with rolled edge, red rubber sole and heel, great wear. \$1.68

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5 buckle, tidy, trim-fitting fast black waterproof Gaiters, in 12 inch height, medium \$3.88

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Misses' sizes 11 to 2. Special \$2.58

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LADIES' HOSE.
In plain and fancy ribbed, fast black English Cashmeres. Reg. \$1.30. Special \$1.10

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Stout ribbed wool Over Stockings, in Navy, Crimson and White, they're wanted. 89c. Dollar value. Special

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WOOL SETTS.
Children's White Wool Setts—Bonn and Scarf, Pale Blue trimmings and tassels, excellent \$1.19

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Ladies' ripple cloth Dressing Jackets, long sleeves, collar and cuffs and pipings, full sizes. Reg. \$3.30. Special \$2.87

INFANTS' DRESSES.
Embroidered White Voile Dresses, long sleeves, lace edging, very prettily patterned, remarkably good in value. Reg. \$1.50. Special \$1.25

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Infants' Wool Jackets, long sleeves, buttoned front, some in all white, others in Pink and White and Blue and White. Special 79c.

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Natural Suede Gloves, 2 button wrist, finest French manufacture. Special \$1.40

GAUNTLET GLOVES.
Cape Kid quality, in pretty Brown shade, the Glove of Gloves for this season, strap over wrist. Special \$4.75

WOOL GLOVES.
Softest Wool Gloves you could wish for, in Natural and Camel shades, closed or dome fastened wrist, men's size. \$1.30. Special \$1.10

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STRIPED WINCEYS.
38 inches wide, showing Cluster stripes in Pink or White ground. Regular 55c. 49c. Special

NAVY NAP CLOTH.
A beauty in that fine finish Nap, fast Navy shade, 54 inches wide, \$2.40 value for \$2.15

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Beautiful material for night-dresses and underwear, etc., 38 inches wide. \$1.60. Special \$1.40

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To complete his outfit—a pair of our Wool-lined Suedes, in pretty Brown shade; \$5.00 value. Special \$4.35

STIFF FELTS.
The newest and noblest shapes for New Year's Day callers, right from London. Special \$5.35

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Quite a range of jaunty styles in shades that are popular to-day: Beige, Alligator and assorted Greys. Special \$5.75

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Beautiful Shirts just to hand, in Crepe-like finish, fifty pin stripe patterns, turn-over cuffs. Our Special \$2.40



Ministers Debate Big Canal Project

STEWART CLAIMS CANADA PROTESTED CHICAGO WATER DIVISION.

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—(Canadian Press.)—At the invitation of Sir Adam Beck, Hon. George Graham and Hon. C. A. Stewart visited the offices of the Hydro-Electric Commission here yesterday afternoon and exchanged views on the Chicago water diversion scheme and the power shortage in Ontario.

Mr. Graham said the United States Government had made inquiries as to Canada's attitude on the St. Lawrence development and so he had conferred with Sir Adam. Mr. Stewart discussed the Chicago drainage and the flow of water at the falls.

Contrary to published statements, Mr. Stewart said that the Canadian Government had protested several

times about the drainage of water at Chicago.

"It is on record that we have protested six or seven times. The matter has become acute lately owing to the opposition of the border States and the matter is now before the United States court. We are interested in it from both a navigation and a power standpoint. Under the arrangement with the United States War Department, Chicago was allowed the flow by tapping the waters above not been able to find any Canadian sanction for the diversion.

"It is a serious matter, so far as Canada is concerned, because of the effect it has on navigation. Our engineers report that there was a reduction this year of 10,000 feet at the falls."

"It is the Canadian Government interested in the question of increasing only in navigation. The development of the height of land?" Mr. Stewart was asked.

"No, that is a matter for the Province," he replied. "We are interested only in navigation. The development

of power is a concern of the Province. Sir Adam Beck simply placed before us his difficulties in regard to the situation."

Animal Showers From the Sky

Much interest has been aroused in England by the discovery of vast swarms of flies, which had infested the English Channel in the neighborhood of Deal and the Goodwin Sands. Millions of these insects were found crawling over the hard sand and great black patches of dead flies could be seen floating on the water.

Similar "plagues" have happened previously. One case in particular was a heavy snowstorm in Russia in 1827, when the snow was accompanied by a large number of black insects about an inch and a quarter in length, and with feet which enabled them to crawl into the snow.

Some years ago in France a shower of frogs descended near Toulouse, and so great was the "downfall" that a carriage containing an eye-witness of the affair killed thousands in its passage along one of the roads.

Instances of fish descending inland in showers are numerous. In 1828, at Foderly, in Scotland, a farmer, walking on his land, saw a great portion of the ground covered with herrings, each three to four inches in length. About two years later, in the island of Islay, in Argyllshire, after a day or so of heavy rain, the inhabitants were surprised to find swarms of herrings strewn over the fields, some perfectly fresh.

On another occasion fish were carried from the Firth of Forth to Loch Leven, a distance of eight to ten miles, and at Wick, in Caithness, a large quantity of fish were found lying scattered in a garden about half a mile from the seashore.

How can one account for these strange happenings? There is a suspicion that winds, whirlwinds, and waterspouts are the chief source of their production. Waterspouts are not unknown at Foderly, and the shower of fish at Islay occurred after a day of heavy rain. The herring fall at Loch Leven happened at the same time when a strong gale was blowing from the Firth of Forth.

Just before the shower of frogs at Toulouse it was noticed that a heavy cloud appeared on the horizon.

Each one of these "plagues" is probably due, wholly or in part, to the fact that wind, having a tendency to become circular or rotary, sucks up any small, light objects, carrying

them for a time and then depositing them when the force of the wind is allayed. An example of this occurred in Norway some years ago, when a colony of rats, migrating from the high to the low regions, were overtaken by a strong wind and, being caught up, were carried to a valley where they fell as a rat shower!

Probably the first in the English Channel were migrating to a warmer climate, when, running into a strong wind, some were carried back to land again and others were killed by the wind and fell on to the water.

Every Man His Own Banker

A NOVEL SCHEME THAT Baffles Burglars.

The ideal of a certain impetuous subaltern, who, on being refused further credit at Cox's, said he thought every man ought to be his own banker, has been nearly attained at Birmingham. That city has a Municipal Bank, the customers of which are more than one in ten of the entire population.

This undertaking has proved both profitable and useful. Its financial success is shown by the report for the year ended March 31st last. Though the bank has been in existence only about three years, and though it pays 3 1/2 per cent on deposits, the profit on the year's working was £9,092.

The utility of the bank is equally remarkable. Besides affording absolute security to all customers, it gives special facilities to some of them, particularly shopkeepers.

Safety for Travellers' Takings.

An important provision for such citizens is opening on Saturday evenings. Though takings are then specially heavy, they cannot in the ordinary way, be banked, but have to be kept over the week-end. Burglars are well aware of this circumstance, and, as a result, there are more robberies than at any other time.

Shopkeepers are thus caused a good deal of anxiety. For this reason the Finance Committee of the Deptford Borough Council recently considered whether local traders should not be offered facilities to deposit their takings in the Town Hall.

But at Birmingham shopkeepers can sleep on Saturday and Sunday nights just as on other nights of the week. For the Municipal Bank is open on Saturday evenings, and takings can be deposited.

Such is the success of the Birmingham Municipal Bank that a similar form of local government enterprise

is likely to be undertaken by several other cities.

The Ex-Crown Prince

WILL HE LEAD THE GERMAN MONARCHISTS?

A new Monarchist attempt, headed by von Kahr, has been revealed in Berlin. The Bavarian dictator has been busy re-organizing the fighting troops under his own leadership since the Hitler and Ludendorff failure put them out of the running, and has gone so far that a tentative date in early December has been chosen for the action.

Von Kahr is still without a leader, but he is now working to persuade the ex-Crown Prince to accept the figurative leadership, in the hope that he will swing the whole country with him. The ex-Crown Prince has already been approached by von Kahr's emissaries, but thus far he has turned a deaf ear to them.

However, with ongoing Monarchist assistance in the North, Von Kahr has been able to gain considerable strength, and pressure on Wilhelm is being redoubled in order to convince him of his duty to the nation in permitting his name to be used in a rally-cry for the Monarchists. Von Kahr is basing his hopes for national success on the Reichswehr in the North. He believes that they will desert the Government to follow the ex-Crown Prince if he is able to convince Wilhelm of his duty in undertaking the leadership in the attempt.

Participants in the game are including at least one of von Kahr's men have visited Oels during the last five days, and had long conversations with the ex-Crown Prince.

Member of German Gymnast Club

DIES PLAYING NEW GAME.

Aachen, Dec. 18. (A.P.)—A new game, which has become popular in Belgium, recently resulted disastrously for the Dienst Gymnast club. One member died and 17 others narrowly escaped the same fate.

Participants in the game are locked in a motor truck and taken for a long ride. Then they are released and the first to reach a designated place is declared the winner.

When the chauffeur was about to release the Dienst club members he found one of them dead, 15 unconscious and two bordering on that condition. Escaping gas had entered the closed car.

Catching Things

A medical witness in the courts this week told us that the worst thing a sick person can do is to "read medical books."

This doctrine has become fairly familiar, by implication, since the excellent M. Cote popularized the maxim that, if you want not to be ill, you must continually assure yourself that there is nothing whatever the matter with you.

But it still isn't sufficiently realized, perhaps, that to brood about symptoms is often to develop them.

Probably there's a curious imitative instinct deep-buried within us. We "catch" things mentally, as the poor fellow did who fell upon a bulky doctor's book and imagined that he had every disease there described "except housemaid's knee"; and that he knew he couldn't have, because he had never cleaned the front doorstep in the cold.

Can it be that it is with many maladies as La Rocheffoucauld tells it is with love—that many people would never have fallen into it had they not heard it so much talked about?

Let us hope that the evident danger may restrain those alarmists who are always discovering new causes for old complaints and writing to the papers about them.

"Have I got it?" is the horrid whisper a man hears, when he reads about "symptoms" in medical books. They form a technical literature infinitely depressing to laymen.—Daily Mirror.

PRIZE-FIGHTING.

Manchester Guardsman: Something which was dignified by the title of the heavy-weight championship of England was decided recently, and the winner battled his fierce way to the championship by getting knocked down twice and then having the good fortune to be hit by his over-zealous opponent as he was in the act of rising. As this blow was a foul, the fight was awarded in the second round to the victim of this ill-timed assault. "Another Plaseol!"

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