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METHUEN'S POSITION.

He Can Either Advance or Retreat and Always Threatens.

Winston Churchill Has Reached the Coast—General Yule Reported Insane—No News of Hostilities—Ottawa Working on the Second Contingent.

METHUEN WELL PLACED.

His Position is Safe and Strategically Sound.

London, Dec. 22.—A despatch from Cape Town, dated Sunday, Dec. 17, says that Gen. Methuen's primary object in crossing the Modder River appears to have been to establish a reliable communication with Kimberley, which is believed to be still on full rations. The water in the mines is plentiful. On the other hand, in spite of their usual tactics, it is considered possible that the Boers have been compelled to assume the offensive, and command having arranged for the disposition of the forces and anticipating difficulty in maintaining food supplies in the present position. Moreover, it is said there is a growing desire among the Free States to return home, which is testified to on many sides and may lead to precipitate an action on the part of the Boer commanders.

In spite of the delay of Gen. Methuen in advancing, he is regarded as largely entrenched position is believed to be unassailable. In the event of the Boers attacking Kimberley, Methuen would be enabled to make a counter move with artillery and cavalry. Consequently, such a movement on the part of the Boers, it is said, is not contemplated. It is apparent, however, that to "make haste slowly" is the safest policy at present. In accordance with Gen. Methuen's dictum the army should not advance faster than the slowest ox wagon.

NO TRANSPORT.

London, Dec. 22.—The Morning Post today says: "If it be true, as well-informed persons assert, that the troops in South Africa are without transport—divisional, brigade or regimental—except such as is being transported as the Boers have been able to get together, many things which at first sight appeared absolutely inexplicable become intelligible. Even the movement of a force becomes capable of, if not justification, at least explanation. A general can do nothing with troops he cannot feed. The neglect in the case has been that of the political class leaders of both parties. They have not for many years taken serious notice of the possibility of war as a contingency. Even the military men have been content with their respective crops, except in the case of the mounted rifles and the North-West Mounted Police. The armaments and equipment now in possession of the men of the militia and of the Northwest Mounted Police are not included in the schedules of equipment required, will be left with their respective crops, except in the case of the mounted rifles and the North-West Mounted Police. The armaments and equipment now in possession of the men of the militia and of the Northwest Mounted Police are not included in the schedules of equipment required, will be left with their respective crops, except in the case of the mounted rifles and the North-West Mounted Police." The negotiations for transports are not yet complete. Everything, however, is going on without one hitch.

GEN. YULE DEMENTED.

New York, Dec. 22.—A London despatch to the New York World states that Gen. James H. Yule is insane. It is a great shock to Gen. Yule's many friends, as the skill with which he has carried out his retreat and joined forces with General White had earned promotion for him.

CHURCHILL AT DELAGOA BAY.

London, Dec. 22.—Lady Randolph Churchill has received a cable despatch from her son Winston Churchill, who was captured by the Boers in Natal and taken to Pretoria and who escaped from there as announced Dec. 14. He says he has arrived safe at Delagoa Bay.

HUSSARS CALLED FOR.

The following was issued yesterday:—Eight Hussars—Members of D Squadron, 8th Hussars, or ex-members of the regiment, willing to volunteer for service with the cavalry contingent for South Africa, will report to the nearest non-commissioned officer of the squadron. The non-commissioned officers have been notified to enroll all applicants and to forward their applications to the officer commanding the squadron, together with particulars of any serviceable horses in their districts.

BOERS ACTIVE IN FRONT OF GATACRE.

Stekfontein, Cape Colony, Saturday, Dec. 16.—The Boers have been largely reinforced since General Gatacre's reverse at Stormberg. The country north of that point is in arms, and the farms of the loyalists are being taken by the Boers, who reap the crops.

PORTUGAL AND BOER SUPPLIES.

London, Dec. 22.—The Lisbon correspondent of the Daily Mail discussing the Boer importation of food, munitions of war and recruits by way of the Portuguese port of Lourenzo Marques, says:—"Portugal is undoubtedly doing her utmost to check the transit of war material for the Boers through Delagoa Bay, although Great Britain would do well to make a demand for greater watchfulness. Portugal, however, is in constant terror of a Boer raid on her African possessions and cannot stop the passage of volunteers for the Transvaal."

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FRANCE RESPECTS ENGLAND'S ATTITUDE.

Paris, Dec. 22.—The war in South Africa has all but monopolized public attention this week. The best Paris journals, the Temps, Figaro and Journal Des Debats, have throughout discussed the pros and cons of the dispute with an evident desire to be impartial. A larger section of the press of lower standing but wider circulation, has been persistently reviving in Anglophobia. This sentiment is apparently shared by a majority of Frenchmen, who regard England as a bully attacking the weak, plucky state, and who are bitter against England because of her unparagoned and often unjust criticism of France during the Dreyfus trial.

The serious reverse of England had led to the impression here that she might yield and accept mediation. But the situation of the present situation at the seat of the war. There is no confirmation of the report that Lady Smith could hold out several weeks longer, and it is feared that this was circulated by the Boers for their own purpose.

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CHOOSING THE OFFICERS.

No Names as Yet—Graduates of Kingston to Be Given Imperial Commissions.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Good progress was made today by the minister of militia in furthering the arrangements connected with the organization and despatch of the contingent. A number of the officers have been appointed, but as the list is not yet complete the minister thinks it desirable not to give out any until all are ready.

Dr. Borden intends taking advantage of the cable from the Imperial authorities, announcing that such graduates of the Royal Military College as he may recommend will receive commissions in the British army, and will submit a number of names immediately.

Rev. Hugh Cairns, of Cornwall, president of Methodist conference of the West, has telegraphed Dr. Borden that the church would like to send a chaplain and that the name would be sent later.

E. Goff Penny, M. P., also telegraphs the congratulations of his constituents to the government for the energy displayed in sending out a second contingent. A militia order issued today says that the arms to be carried by the men of the regiments of Mounted Infantry will be a Lee-Enfield rifle, sword-bayonet and a Colt revolver. Provisional field service manuals will be published in a few days and will lay down exactly the equipment required, and how carried, for the regiment of mounted rifles and the brigades of field artillery. The arms and equipment now in possession of the men of the militia and of the Northwest Mounted Police are not included in the schedules of equipment required, will be left with their respective crops, except in the case of the mounted rifles and the North-West Mounted Police.

A CHANGE IN GERMANY.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—A gradual veering of public opinion in Germany towards the Boers is becoming apparent. The change is led by the inspired section of the press. Today several articles appear pointing in the new direction. The Cologne Gazette says: "Germany's real interest is to maintain absolute neutrality in sentiment. It is wise to retain England's good will if Germany intends to develop colonial."

The Berliner Post contains obviously inspired articles, in which this argument is made:—"South African confederation is impossible without harbors and the sea-shore. England, as a great power, is necessary for the maintenance of the world's political equilibrium and Germany's policy will be to keep friends with England."

There is no doubt that the government is beginning to bring the weight of its influence in the press to bear in favor of England. The same is true regarding the army, navy and official world.

Emperor William's influence is now strongly exerted in Anglophile direction. It is South on reliable authority that he has repeatedly expressed himself during the week in the following vein:—"We must not repeat last year's mistakes."

A RATHER OLD DESPATCH.

Chieveley Camp, Natal, Dec. 17.—The camp, which was pitched to the left of the position which was taken up by the Union Brigade, was shifted from that point this morning to Chieveley.

The wounded are being entrained for Pietermaritzburg. Most of the wounded are in the arms of legs. Doctor Stead, in the Daily Chronicle today, has expressed his admiration for the Boer medical staff. He says that the Boer medical staff is giving every attention.

REVERSES STIFFEN ENGLAND.

No Foreign Intervention Would Be Tolerated by Great Britain.

London, Dec. 22.—Not for many years past has Great Britain faced such a situation as confronts her this Christmas. Yet, so meet it, there has arisen a new Britain, which, by its virility and pluck, extorts admiration even from her bitterest enemies. The Boer war has been a great success for the British press, the comments of the foreign press, at least such as are printed here, are not so much to be feared as they once were. The Boer war has been a great success for the British press, the comments of the foreign press, at least such as are printed here, are not so much to be feared as they once were.

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GATACRE PROTECTING HIMSELF.

Cape Town, Monday, Dec. 18.—Gen. Gatacre, in order to check insurrection among the Dutch colonists and to prevent disaffected persons giving information or other assistance to the Boers, has issued a modified reconcentration order. By its terms all males over 12 years of age, of whatever nationality, residing outside of towns or villages but within a radius of 12 miles of military camps now established or hereafter to be established north of Sterkstroom, are required immediately to vacate their places of residence and either to remove to some place outside the 12 mile radius or to form a camp in close proximity to the nearest military camp—the spot to be selected by the officer commanding where they must reside until further notice, providing for their own needs. All persons found within the radius without passes will be arrested.

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NO NEWS SATURDAY NIGHT.

London, Dec. 24, 4:45 a. m.—Beyond the statement that a cablegram was received from Lady Smith's reports:—"All well to Friday afternoon, with no fighting except outpost skirmishes." Absolutely no news has been received from the seat of war during the night.

The war office officials at midnight say they had not received any war despatches.

AN INCREDIBLE REPORT.

London, Dec. 23.—From a continental Dutch source comes the incredible rumor that a British army corps has disembarked at Lourenzo Marques and is marching to the Transvaal frontier.

ROBERTS SAILS FOR AFRICA.

Southampton, Dec. 23.—In spite of a thick fog which prevailed, the Dunottor Castle sailed at 6:15 p. m., with General Lord Roberts in the course of an interview had with him before sailing. "I am deeply impressed by the patriotism shown today in London, along the route to and at Southampton. I desire to express my gratitude to all who have seen me off and to send my best regards to all in the country. In all these outbursts of patriotism I see a good omen of success."

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daily pay, subsistence and all incidentals from the date of enrollment to the date of concentration. Imprests for this purpose will be given. The district officers commanding and the commissioner of the Mounted Police will meet all necessary disbursements in connection with the formation of the special service troops. A credit will be given them for this purpose. Money will also be supplied in the same way for the purposes of purchasing horses to complete the establishment. The following are the relative rates of pay:—

Mounted Police, special service force—Commissioner Lieutenant Colonel \$7.12.

Assistant commissioner major \$4.88, superintendent captain \$3.84, inspector lieutenant \$2.75, surgeon medical officer \$3.84, veterinary surgeon officer \$2.75.

Colonel Tucker, of St. John, arrived here yesterday with plans of the harbor, wharves, exhibition buildings, etc., and urged the government to have one of the steamers start from St. John. He says that every facility desirable is located at St. John. The arrangements for the final mobilization of all the troops at Halifax were completed before the arrival of Col. Tucker and it is very doubtful if any change can be made.

ANSWER TO WALLACE.

Col. Otter is an Imperial Officer and Subject to British Army Regulations.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The following telegram from Clark Wallace was received late Friday night and was replied to by Dr. Borden yesterday. The telegrams are as follows:—

"Woodbridge, Ont., Dec. 22, '93. "From the first hour that the Canadian contingent arrived in South Africa to the present time, so far as I can see or learn, the government has taken no steps of any kind to ascertain their whereabouts nor any telegraphic communication with them. Every Canadian wants to know something of them. Beside there are more than a thousand homes where the little family groups are watching day by day and waiting through the long hours of the night, longing to have information, even if it were only one line, every day. Is it parsimony or indifference, or something worse than that, causing the government's action in the matter?"

"(Signed) N. Clarke Wallace."

"Dr. Borden's reply reads:—"Honorable N. Clarke Wallace, Woodbridge, Ont.—"Your telegram with respect to Canadian contingent received. Its statements are not true. Proper arrangements were made by me with Col. Otter, the officer commanding, to forward news from time to time of contingent and its doings. Several of such messages have already been received and published. As the contingent now forms part of the British army you know, or ought to know, that only such news can be sent as general in command authorities and censorship of war office permits. The Canadian public are in exactly the same position as the British public, although a far greater number of the latter are directly and personally concerned."

"(Signed) F. W. Borden."

Although the Canadian opposition is trying hard to make a political point from the view of diminishing the cost of enthusiasm which is passing all over Canada, in connection with the government's action in sending troops to the front it is falling miserably in the attempt.

MILITIA OFFICERS.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The following militia order has just been issued. District officers commanding will therefore be good enough to forward to headquarters without delay a return showing:—

(a) The name of each individual entitled to draw the allowance; (b) the number of sons and their age and the number of daughters and their age; (c) the name of the non-commissioned officer or man concerned, and the company in which enrolled; and (d) in case of non-commissioned officers who belong to permanent force at the time of enrollment the unit to which they belonged.

A CHANCE FOR WOODSTOCK BATTERY HORSES.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Dr. Nuttress, examining officer, today completed the inspection of the Dragoons at the Stanley Barracks. Every officer of the government general's body guards has applied for permission to join the contingent. Out of hundreds of horses examined at the barracks only seven have been purchased, the price paid for suitable animals being \$160. Veterinary Surgeon Hall says it would have been advisable for the government to purchase horses in South America as animals purchased there would be more suitable for the South African climate. He anticipates that ten per cent of the Canadian horses will die before reaching Cape Town.

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THE CAPE IN WAR TIME.

Soldiers Quietly Rushed From the Ship to the Front.

How English Men and Women Bear Bad News—Little Enthusiasm in Cape Town—British Colonists Bitter Against the Dutch—Two Letters from The Telegraph's War Correspondent.

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Cape Town, Nov. 15.—The news received yesterday morning in the company of British troops taken prisoners at Ladysmith and a mountain battery captured...

Sore-Hearted but Brave.

It was all in the day's work, in the eye of the soldier, wife and daughter, and the death, sang, ate, drank, and were merry.

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British Army on Trial.

If the Canadian contingent are quartered in Cape Town for a time prior to their going north, it will be some comfort to them to know that it is Cape Town. But now that the greater portion of the heavy corps has arrived, there will be some quick work, and at once.

OTTAWA NEWS.

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TWO IMPROMPTU SPEECHES.

HENRY CLAY AND HENRY S. LANE IN TIGHT PLACES.

Clay Made Effectual Answer to a Petition That He Liberate His Servants, and Lane Fruitlessly Tried to Check the Flight of a Defeated Army.

Mention of the fact that Senator David Turpie was the last of the "old guard" to retire from public life has received an interesting corroboration of the old days in public history when Senator Turpie was in the Senate serving his first term with Senator Henry Clay.

One of the most interesting of these stories is an incident connected with the only speech Henry Clay ever made in a speech in Indiana, says a writer in the Indianapolis Sentinel. He had touched upon the river towns once or twice, but never did he visit the state for the purpose of making a political speech but once.

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the cavalry swept up, began to address the troops. One or two seemed inclined to stop, but one burly horseman in advance shouted: "Get out of the way old man or we will run you down."

THE CANADIAN CONTINGENT.

When the second body of Canadian troops reaches the Cape Canada will have in round numbers 2,100 of her sons on African soil, more than 1,000 infantry, 300 cavalry or mounted infantry and 510 artillery.

OTTAWA NEWS.

Northwest Police Turn 'Up-War Has Spoiled the South African Trade.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—In the latter part of August a party of Northwest Mounted police, consisting of Corporal Shirvius and two constables left Dawson to search for lost mining parties on the Edmonton trail.

Cape Town a Fine City.

Overshadowed by the magnificent mountain on the shores of a beautiful bay, Cape Town naturally is a fine city, and man has done his share.

At the Head of the Red Cross.

The most interesting man on board was undoubtedly Colonel J. S. Young, chief commissioner of the British Red Cross Society, and during his time of active service has seen more war on a big scale than almost any other man.

Canadian Soldiers Welcome.

There was hardly an officer on board that didn't take occasion to remark during the trip how the Cape was keenly appreciated throughout the service.

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DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION IS A FOUNTAIN OF HEALTH FOR WEAK AND NERVOUS WOMEN.

GOOD ORGANIZATION MEETINGS. Mr. C. J. Milligan, Liberal organizer for New Brunswick, who has been holding public meetings in Queens county during the past two weeks, has been meeting with good success.

AN INJUNCTION REFUSED. Montreal, Dec. 20.—The Harbor Commissioners can now go ahead and make arrangements with the Connors' syndicate, of Buffalo, as Judge Pagnuelo today gave judgment refusing to grant an injunction to prevent such action being taken.

110 for 10 Cents. This book contains one hundred and ten of the best humorous regulations, and is a humorous collection of every kind and character.

DEATH OF MRS. MUSGRAVE. Halifax, Dec. 21.—Death occurred at New Glasgow today of Anna M., wife of New Musgrave, and youngest daughter of the late Dr. Honeyman, of Halifax.

HALIFAX FIRE. Manufacturing Establishment Totally Destroyed Last Evening. Halifax, Dec. 20.—Carrite & Paterson, manufacturing company's works at North West Arm, was destroyed by fire about 6 o'clock this evening.

PINE LANDS SOLD. Toronto, Dec. 20.—The government today sold by auction 300 square miles of pine timber lands in the districts of Algoma, Nipissing and Rainy River.

Starr, Hockey and Acme Skates
are adopted by the leading clubs of Canada and the United States. If you want the best make see that they are made by the Starr Manufacturing Company. We sell them.

W. H. THORNE & Co., Limited,
Market Square, St. John, N. B.

WANTED
TEACHER WANTED.
WANTED - A second class female teacher for district No. 12, Parish of St. John, N. B. Address Secretary to Trustees, St. John, N. B.

Father Chiquin's New Book
"Forty Years in the Church of Christ." An intensely interesting account of the trials and struggles encountered in his devotion to the cause of Protestantism during the last forty years of his eventful life.

FOR SALE
FROM FOR SALE - The undersigned has for sale his farm in the parish of St. John, N. B. containing one hundred acres of land, under a good title.

Intercolonial Railway
On and after MONDAY, the 10th October, 1899, trains will run Daily (Sundays excepted) as follows:
TRAINS WILL LEAVE ST. JOHN.
Express for Campbellton, Pictou, and Halifax, New Glasgow and Pictou, 7.25
Express for Quebec and Montreal, 12.00
Express for St. John, 12.30
Accommodation for Moncton, 12.50
Truro, Halifax and Sydney, 22.10
A sleeping car will be attached to the train leaving St. John at 11.30 o'clock for Halifax.
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S. KERR & SON,
ODDFELLOWS HALL

MEMORANDUM Notes.
MEMORANDUM, Dec. 23 - The pupils of the Memorandum school under the supervision of Miss Doherty, teacher, gave a grand entertainment in the C. M. E. A. Hall on Thursday evening. There was a fair-sized audience in attendance. The manner with which even the smallest acts were performed, by every part was wonderful. After the concert a picnic was held. This brought a large sum of money. The proceeds (amounting to nearly \$300) will go toward helping to furnish a library for the school here. The programme was as follows:

Many of the pieces were heartily enjoyed. The concert will likely be repeated in the near future; but there is no definite date set as yet.

FROM ALL OVER CANADA come letters telling us of the great benefit the convent has derived from the use of the D. & L. Menhol Plasters in cases of neuralgia, rheumatism, lame back, etc. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

Paris Arranging for Guests.
Paris, Dec. 25 - The government has completed arrangements to rent, for use as a residence by princely guests of the nation at the time of the exposition, the mansion on the Avenue de Bonaparte, formerly occupied by the late Dr. Strass, the wealthy American dentist, which the deceased bequeathed to the city of Philadelphia. The government pays \$60,000 francs rent and furnishes the house with state furniture.

Assault on the High Seas.
Charles Cassidy, of Truro, N. S., was before U. S. Commissioner Fiske at Boston last Friday on a charge of assaulting John Stronman on board the British steamer Turret Crown, Dec. 21, on the high seas. The defendant is the cook on the steamer and Stronman is the boatswain. The men became involved in a dispute, which ended, it is alleged, in the defendant striking Stronman with a meat cleaver, inflicting injuries from which the latter may not recover. The hearing was continued pending the result of the inquiry. Meantime the defendant will be held in jail.

ARRIVED

THOMPSON - At St. Andrews, on Dec. 19th, by the wife of Albert Thompson, a daughter.

DEPARTURES

HAMILTON SMITH - At the residence of the bride's father, Summerfield, on Dec. 12th, by Rev. G. A. Giberson, brother-in-law of the bride, Robert Hamilton, of Greenfield, to Laura M. Smith, daughter of Earl Smith.

DEATHS

DALY - At East Boston, on Dec. 19th, Charles, son of Thomas K. and Elizabeth Hanly Daly, aged 18 years.
HOLMES - At Brookline, Mass., on Dec. 20th, Henry Holmes, aged 59 years.
KEILLOR - At Dorchester, on Christmas eve, Mrs. Mary J. Keillor, relict of the late Thomas Keillor, Esq., of Dorchester, aged 70 years.
MULLEN - At Roxbury, Mass., on Dec. 20th, Edward J., husband of Ellen Mullen.
POST - At Perth, on Dec. 7th, Mrs. Jacob Post and her infant babe, leaving a husband and five children to mourn their loss.
ROWLEY - Suddenly, at Carleton, on Dec. 26th, Margaret A., wife of George Rowley, aged 25 years, beloved wife of Jacob Post and her infant babe, leaving a husband and five children to mourn their loss.
STEVENS - At his residence, Plymouth, Carleton Co., N. B., on Dec. 18th, after a short illness, Andrew Stevens, aged 69 years, leaving three daughters, two brothers and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.
STRAIGHT - Suddenly, at Washademoos Lake, on Saturday, Dec. 25th, Idella M. Straight, of Queens county, N. B., and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Sherwood, of this city, leaving a husband and three children to mourn their loss. [Boston and Providence papers please copy.]

MARINE JOURNAL

PORT OF ST. JOHN.
Arrived.
Friday, Dec. 22.
Stmr Lake Ontario, Carey, from Liverpool via Halifax, Troop & Son, mails, noon and pass.
Stmr Tiber, 1104, Delme, from Sydney, N. S. W. F. S. & Co.
Stmr Cebra, from London, Furness, Withy & Co. general cargo.
Stmr Umbrella, Allan, from Boston via Eastport.
Coastwise - Barge No. 2, 433, Salter, from Parrabro; schrs Christian, 71, Tufts, from Parrabro; schrs Chas. A. B. 79, Day, from Alma; Speedwell, 82, Black, from Quaco.

Sunday, Dec. 24.
Stmr Cape Breton, from Sydney, coal.
Schr Adela, from New York, coal.
Schr Beaver, from Philadelphia, coal.
Schr Quaco, from New York, general.
Schr Romeo, from Boston, bal.
Schr Viola, from Boston, bal.
Tug Springhill, from Calais, with barge. Capt. Sturges, from Westport, for Annapolis.

Friday, Dec. 22.
Stmr Duart Castle, Seely, for West Indies via Halifax.
Schr Joseph Hay, Phibes, from Hillsboro for New York.
Coastwise - Schrs Free Trade, Nickerson, for Parrabro; Yarmouth Packet, Shaw, for Yarmouth; Annie Chisholm, for Hillsboro; Vera West, Denton, for Westport.
Schr Annie Harper, Goiding, for Hillsboro.
Saturday, Dec. 23.
Stmr Manchester Commerce, Baxter, for Manchester via Halifax, Furness, Withy & Co.
Barque Chiarina, Jacarino, for Santa Cruz, Tenerife.
Schr D. Gifford, Thorne, for New York.
Schr Ada B. Shortland, for Providence.
Schr Clifton, Wilcox, for Philadelphia.
Coastwise - Schrs Scotia, for Parrabro; Arandura, from New York; Norvia, Howard, for Port Greville; stmr Westport, Powell, for Westport; schrs Hattie McKay, Graham, for Parrabro.
Monday, Dec. 25.
Stmr Cumberland, for Boston, C. E. Leachler.
Sailed.
Stmr Sylvia, Wyatt, for London.
Stmr Duart Castle, Seely, for West Indies via Halifax.
Schr Concordia, for Glasgow.
Schr Eliza, Demings, for Vineyard Haven for orders.
Schr Marion, Reiker, for Boston.
Schr Joseph Hay, Phibes, for Newark.
Saturday, Dec. 23.
Stmr Manchester Commerce, Baxter, for Manchester via Halifax.

DOMESTIC PORTS

Arrived.
Halifax, Dec. 23rd, stmr Montserrat, from St. John and sailed for Liverpool; schr Edith S. Whalen, from Western Banks, for shelter.
Halifax, Dec. 24th, stmr Italia, from Hamburg for New York; for bunker coal; Cambroman, from Liverpool and sailed for Boston; Manchester Importer from Manchester; Arandura, from New York; Duart Castle, from St. John.
Halifax, Dec. 23rd, cable stmr Minna, from St. John, Nfld; brig C. R. C. from St. John, Nfld; brig C. R. C. from Hillsboro, Dec. 21st, schr A. Deleida, Baird, from Dorchester; 22nd, stmr Bratsberg, Hansen, from Philadelphia.
Halifax, Dec. 24th, stmr Manchester Commerce, and Dominion, from St. John.
Sailed.
Halifax, Dec. 25th, stmr Dominion, for Liverpool; Italia, for New York.

BRITISH PORTS

Arrived.
Queenstown, Dec. 22nd, stmr Lucania, from New York for Liverpool.
Liverpool, Dec. 25th, stmr Numidian, from Portland and Halifax.
Montevideo, Dec. 25th, stmr Lake Huron, from St. John and Halifax for Liverpool.
Sailed.
Cardiff, Dec. 20th, barque Semantha, Crowe, for New York.
Shields, Dec. 22nd, stmr Canada, for Portland.
Liverpool, Dec. 21st, stmr Dahome, for Halifax via St. John, Nfld, Parisian, for Halifax.
Cardiff, Dec. 23rd, stmr Leucra, Mulcahy, for Port Arthur.
Liverpool, Dec. 23rd, stmr Lake Superior for St. John.
Bermuda, Dec. 21st, stmr Trinidad, Muggah, for New York.
Demerara, Dec. 18th, ship Genista, Mearns, for New York.

FOREIGN PORTS

Arrived.
Lisbon, Dec. 15th, brig Ibernica, Noel, from Shipagan.
Manila, Dec. 18th, ship Honolulu, Sprague, from Newcastle, NSW.
Pascagoula, Dec. 18th, barque Lizzie Curry, Brooks, from Trinidad.
Mobile, Dec. 20th, schrs John P. Kranz, McDonald, from Demerara; Clara L. Dwyer, from Kuantan.
Demerara, Dec. 18th, schr Hannah F. Carleton, Dunbar, from Hillsboro for New York.
Boston, Dec. 22nd, stmr Prince Arthur, from St. John, Nfld; Booth, from Gutterburg, N.J.; Sower, from Gutterburg, N.J. Stephen.
Calais, Dec. 22nd, tug Springhill, from City Island, Dec. 22nd, schr Beatrice L. Colkin, from Halifax; Mattie J. Allen, from Hillsboro; Hoboken, Vineyard Haven, Amboy, from Demerara; Nellie F. Sawyer, from South Amboy for Portland.
Boothbay, Dec. 22nd, schr Hattie Merril, and Jennie C. Tom, from St. John; Agnes May, from Hillsboro; Emma Potter, from Gutterburg.
Salem, Dec. 22nd, schr Abbie Keast, from St. John for New York.
Fernandina, 22nd, schr Canaris, Brooks, from Anas.
Vineyard Haven, Dec. 24th, schr Walter Miller, from New Bedford for St. John.
Chatham, Mass., Dec. 24 - Increasingly, and rain tonight. Steamer Sylvia, from New York for Halifax, passed east at noon and will have a rough passage across. Steamer Manhattan, from New York for Portland had not been sighted at dark.
Boston, Dec. 22nd, stmr Turret Bell, from Hillsboro, from Boston by sea.
Port, Dec. 24th, stmr Micmac, from Sydney, CB.
Portland, Dec. 23rd, schrs Leo, and G. B. Gurney, from New York for New York.
Alma, Dec. 23rd, schr Alaska, from City Island, from Hillsboro for Hillsboro.
Salem, Dec. 22nd, schr Silver Spray, from Spencerville, from New York.
Buenos Ayres, Nov. 16th, barque Dilbur, Ontario, from St. John.
Montevideo, Nov. 18th, schr Exception, from Buenos Ayres, from St. John.
Pernambuco, Nov. 16th, barque St. Peter, from New York.
Rio Janeiro, Dec. 20th, ship Harvest, from Pernambuco.
Queen, Forry, from Philadelphia.
Bremen, Dec. 23rd, stmr Flates, Purdy, from Savannah.
Darien, Dec. 23rd, barque Yalona, Thompson, from Liverpool.
New Orleans, Dec. 23rd, stmr Montevideo, Owens, from Cape Town, and old for Halifax.
Havana, Dec. 22nd, schr Arona, Dill, from New York.
Boothbay Harbor, Dec. 25th, schrs John M. Plummer, from Grand Manan; Ruth Robinson, from Hillsboro; Hannah F. Carleton, from Hillsboro; Joseph Hay, from Hillsboro; J. B. Martin, Chute, from Annapolis.
Portland, Dec. 25th, stmr Cambroman, from Liverpool via Halifax; schrs W. H. Waters, and Hattie Merril, from St. John for Boston; Ayr, from St. John for New York; W. K. Smith, from Weymouth, N.S.
Boston, Dec. 25th, stmr Turret Bell, from Liverpool, CB; St. Croix, for St. John; barque Alexander Black, for Rowan; Miller, Parry, Maggie Miller, Lena Maud, Nellie J. Crocker, Sallie E. Ludlam, all for St. John; Ella H. Barnes, for Halifax; St. Helena, for Lunenburg; Hattie L. M. for Halifax; M. J. Soley for Wolfville; Uruguay, for Halifax; Sower, from Gutterburg, N.J. for St. Stephen.

LOCAL NEWS

THIRTY BIRTHS - Seventeen females and 13 males were registered with Registrar Jones last week.
THE BANK CLEARINGS for the week ending Dec. 21 were \$769,013, as against \$61,157 in the same week last year.
ACCIDENT - Last Thursday, Mr. W. S. Johnston, of Golden Grove, nearly severed the thumb and forefinger of his left hand with an axe.
THE SCHOONER E. A. GRACE, of this port, has been given an American register and is now owned by Charles E. Bicknell, of Rockland, Me.
FOR POOR FOOD - The department of inland revenue has issued a circular to visiting their cooperators in Canada in regard to education in canned goods.

FINANCIAL - Henry M. Clark, contractor of Fredericton, offers to compromise at 20 cents to general creditors and 30 to accommodation endorsees. Liabilities are between \$4,000 and \$5,000.
LAST TRIP - Steamer City of Montserrat will leave St. John on her regular trip of the season December 29th, calling at the usual ports, and on her return from Halifax will lay up at Yarmouth.

BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES - The number of births recorded with Registrar Jones last week was very large, being 54, of whom 28 were females and 26 males. The marriages numbered six.
THE CONTINGENT FUND now totals \$6,350. Mr. A. G. Lewis has handed to Treasurer Royal \$21.20, being the balance of the proceeds of the entertainment given on St. Andrew's day by the St. Andrew's Society.

OUT OF COMMISSION - The government fishery cruiser Osiris, Captain John H. Pratt, was lying at the Custom House pier yesterday and will this morning steam up to Miramichi when she will go out of commission and tie up for the winter.
TRAIN DELAYED - The C. P. R. Atlantic express was five hours late in arriving here yesterday afternoon. The delay was caused at Moncton, where a freight train, bound for St. John west, had become derailed and one car lay across the track. No one was injured, nor was the damage very serious.

LATEST RECORD - The ferry steamer Maggie Miller, at Millidgeville, went into winter quarters on Saturday on account of the river freezing up. The steamer was never before on the route at this season. The latest record before was December 18.

THE SYDNEY JACOB - The Cape Breton Advertiser says: During eight days, from Saturday to Saturday, one hundred and forty-seven guests registered at Hotel Sydney. Miss Flossie Willis is to be heartily congratulated upon the prospect ahead of him in his move from St. John to Sydney.

A LARGE CARIBOU - Mr. Jarvis McQueeney of Musquash arrived in the city Thursday with a large caribou which he shot at Musquash on Tuesday. This animal is one of the finest seen in the city for some time and was purchased by Mr. James Murphy of the city market who has it on exhibition at his place of business.

ACCIDENT - Mr. Ross Woodrow, father of Mr. Ross Woodrow of the post office, was injured some miles out of the city Saturday night. He lives out of town when his team was run into by one from behind. Mr. Woodrow, who is an elderly gentleman, was thrown violently and his shoulder dislocated. He was cared for at the Ben Lovmond House where Dr. G. O. Baxter drove out and attended him.

QUEEN'S COURT PROBATE CASE - On Thursday, Judge of Probates Ebbett held court in Gagetown. There were two cases before him. In the matter of the estate of Humphrey, a petition for letters of administration was received and a citation was granted returnable on February 15.

Deaths and Burials.
There were 20 burial permits issued by the board of health last week. The deaths were caused by influenza, three; bronchitis, consumption, congestion of the lungs, two each; old age, pneumonia, consumption, Bright's disease, cerebral abscess, acute indigestion, cancer of the stomach, sarcoma of brain, oesophagus, heart disease, obstruction of bowels, cancer of stomach, one each.

In the midst of the joyous Christmas season news of great sadness came Sunday to the home of Mr. Gilbert Sherwood, janitor of Centennial school, Brunswick street. Mr. Sherwood was attending the 11 o'clock service at Bruce's street Baptist church Sunday morning when he was summoned to receive a telegraphic message from Queen county. It conveyed the sad intelligence that his daughter, Mrs. Wm. E. Straight, had been drowned in Washademoos Lake on Saturday evening. Not many particulars were given but it was learned that Mrs. Straight and her husband had started from their home to walk across the lake to Mr. Thomas Todd's general store to make some purchases. They evidently walked into a hole. Mrs. Straight was drowned and her husband was rescued only with great difficulty and in an exhausted condition. How his rescue was effected is not known, nor is there any word as to the recovery of Mr. Straight's body.

Mr. Straight is a farmer well known to the neighborhood and his wife had many friends in St. John, where she lived till her marriage. She was only in her 25th year and leaves four children, the youngest but two months old.

VESSLS BOUND TO ST. JOHN.
Sailed.
Alcides, from Glasgow, Dec. 7.
Amarynthia, at Glasgow, Dec. 17.
Aldice, at Glasgow, Dec. 17.
Pengere Head, from Swansea, Dec. 14.
Dalton, at Loch, Dec. 8.
Dunmore Head, from Swansea, Dec. 18.
Glen Head, at Dublin, Nov. 25.
Lucerna, to load in January.
Lake Superior, from Liverpool, Dec. 23.
Montrose, from Monville, Dec. 17.
Manchester Trader, at Manchester, Nov. 25.
Manchester Importer, at Halifax, Dec. 24.
Montrose, at Liverpool, Dec. 11.
Montrey, at Liverpool, Dec. 18.
Manchester Corporation, at Manchester, Nov. 25.
Teelin Head, at Belfast, Dec. 1.
The Sahara steamer is three times as large as the Mediterranean sea.

