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HON. R. PREFONTAINE Political animosities lose their influence in the presence of death, and men of all parties speak today with regret of the sudden passing of the Hon. Raymond Prefontaine. Living, he had bitter political foes, for he was a very vigorous and aggressive politician, and of late was the premier's fighting lieutenant in Quebec province; but now that he is dead men recall only his great ability and the success attending his career.

Since he has held the office of minister of marine and fisheries, Hon. Mr. Prefontaine has thrown himself with great enthusiasm into the work of that department. He was particularly interested in the improvement of St. Lawrence navigation, and in the question of a Canadian naval reserve. He had gone to England in connection with these matters, and the cables indicated that he made an excellent impression upon official and social London. His visit to Paris was for pleasure, and the termination is doubly sad. He is dead, in the fulness of his manhood, and in the midst of the prosecution of labors of great value to his country.

AFTER CHRISTMAS

Some remarks made by a city clergyman in his sermon on Sunday evening might be paraphrased in this way: "Tomorrow is Christmas. No one must be permitted to go hungry on Christmas Day. Why on Christmas Day? Why should anyone go hungry on any day? After Christmas, we say, we will get down to business. Why not get up to business—and let it be the business of the God we worship? There is truth to be realized the kingdom of peace and good will on the earth. This is pertinent and suggestive. Christmas Day is past, but the inequalities, the suffering, the pressing problems of life remain. In one home in this city yesterday there was mourning over the death of the bread-winner. In another all the children but one were taken away because it was feared that one had contracted a contagious disease, and instead of union and happiness there was separation and fear. There were doubtless other cases of similar, if not equal hardship. Today, families that fared well yesterday because of the manifestation of the Christmas spirit, are facing the problems of life, the means and urgent wants. In many cases there may be cause for blame as well as pity, but those who suffer most are the innocent. The man or woman who is animated by the spirit of loving service has ample room for his exercise at all times of the year."

IN RUSSIA

It is apparent that the Russian revolutionists are not making the headway they expected. Even in Moscow the troops command the situation. Russia is not France, and the same degree of general enthusiasm cannot be aroused. The great mass of the people may want better government, but they do not recognize it in anarchy. An armed revolution to be successful must be suddenly accomplished. This has not been the case in Russia, and so long as the army remains loyal the odds are against those in revolt. They have to fight famine as well as the army, and the comfort and ease of the life of their families are at stake. It is weary fighting under such conditions. The most loyal passions appear to have been aroused among some classes of the people, but this would only make the more moderate hesitate before casting in their lot with them. The situation is a terrible one, but if the government can depend upon the loyalty of the troops it is safe for the present, and if it proceeds with a programme of genuine reform will command the support of a majority of the people. Everything depends upon the army.

THE OPEN DOOR

Japan and China have signed a very important treaty, which opens Manchurian ports to the world's commerce, and secures the position of Japan in that country. Sixteen ports are opened to the world's trade. A Washington despatch gives other details, as received by cable at the state department as follows: "China consents to lease to Japan the Liao Tung peninsula, at the southern extremity of which are Port Arthur and Dalian. "China concedes to Japan the control of the railway on the peninsula northward as far as Chang-Chung. This is one of the spurs which connects with the Russian Siberian railway system, and the point named probably will mark the division between Russian and Japanese control. "China also concedes to Japan the right to build a railway from Antung on the Yalu River to Youkden. It is provided, however, that at the end of a certain period, the road may be purchased by China. This treaty will be of great value to the commercial nations of the world. Manchuria will no doubt be the scene of rapid development, offering a growing

market for the products of other countries. Doubtless Canada will share in the exploitation of this new market.

Emphasizing the influence the country at large has upon Wall street, the Wall Street Journal says—The largest share of financial business of the United States is carried on in New York. But it neither creates the wealth of the country, nor does it exercise an influence over any proportion to the volume of its transactions. What is it that has been giving energy and spirit to the markets of Wall street? Certainly not local conditions, but the tremendous prosperity of the country, mainly due to the fact that the American farms produced this year \$6,500,000,000 of wealth. What is it that minimizes the depressing effect of the revelations of misconduct in the administration of business affairs, so that while men are amazed and shocked they have not lost confidence? Is it not the feeling that the people at large are sound, and that the public opinion of the country is in a healthy state of revolt against these things?"

The plumbers of Toronto may have a hard winter. The News of Friday says: "Some one hundred and twenty more plumbers and supply men will face a High Court judge—and a jury, if they insist on it—next month. The charge will be the same as that which was preferred against a dozen of their fellows a month ago, and it will be supported by the same evidence. A committal was made by Magistrate Denison this morning, after Crown Attorney Curry had proved the liability of the defendants for anything that the associations may have done, with the addition of enough evidence to warrant his action."

Whatever the balance of the winter may produce in weather conditions, we in St. John have reason to be glad that treatment of the coal bin, while it has at the same time given us excellent sleighing and a healthful temperate.

It was perhaps fitting that the bulls and bears of Wall street should find enjoyment on Christmas day in watching two business engaged in a brutal combat. On other days of the year the bulls and bears rend each other, or the unfortunate lambs that come up to be slaughtered.

The Baltimore American makes this remark: "These are sixteen million school children in this country, which fact furnishes a reason for the best and most practical which the resources of the age and of the nation can afford."

The committees appointed by the Northern Presbyterian and the Cumberland Presbyterian Churches of the United States to arrange the details of the union of those two church bodies will meet in St. Louis, Dec. 28.

Hon. Dr. Pappey contradicts the rumor given currency by the Sun that the provincial government is considering the question of an early appeal to the electors.

The result of the conference between the coal operators and the representatives of the miners will be awaited with universal interest and some anxiety.

From all parts of the country come reports of good Christmas trade. The country is prosperous.

All was not peace and good will in New York and Chicago yesterday.

MR. PREFONTAINE

News of the sudden death in Paris of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, comes as a shock to the large circle of Canadian friends and acquaintances of that distinguished public man. It was not known that Mr. Prefontaine's health was seriously impaired. Before he left Canada, he had been exceedingly active in dealing with the affairs of his department, as he had been during the three years of his administration. He had been giving special attention to the conditions of St. Lawrence navigation and to the development of his plan for "a Canadian navy," as the proposed establishment was sometimes described. Reports of his speeches in England and his statements to interviewers dealt with these activities. Lately Mr. Prefontaine's movements and addresses in Paris have been reported in the despatches and it would appear that he has been rather busy.

Whatever fault might be found with Mr. Prefontaine's methods and principles, he could never be accused of want of energy. He was a man of remarkable activity, enterprise and resources. Academic politics had no interest for him. He did not take part more than party emergencies seemed to demand in the emotional controversies to which some of his leading associates are partial. Mr. Prefontaine was essentially practical. His municipal, provincial and federal politics were practical, as distinguished from sentimental politics. He managed men, made use of his new influence, kept his opponents constantly on the watch, and accomplished many purposes.

DIED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

PITTSBURG, Dec. 25.—J. D. Flynn, well known in telegraph circles over the country, through his connection with the Baltimore & Ohio and the Western Union Telegraph Companies, died at his home today of pneumonia after three days' illness. Mr. Flynn was born in Cleveland on Dec. 25, 1846.

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Our Clothing Sale Continues All This Week.

The sale prices which have created so much sensation during the past week still continue. You can buy Overcoats here for less than the manufacturers' prices. Men's Overcoats, Regular \$5.00 to \$15.00, For \$3.95, \$5.40, \$7.50 and \$11.75

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MEN'S FINEST JERSEY 2-BUCKLE OVERSHOES 2.00
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MEN'S HEAVY 1-BUCKLE OVERSHOES 1.75
WOMEN'S FINEST JERSEY BUTTON OVERSHOES 2.25
WOMEN'S FINEST JERSEY 3-BUCKLE OVERSHOES 2.50
WOMEN'S BEST CASHMERE 2-BUCKLE OVERSHOES 2.00
OVERSHOE-RUBBERS:
MEN'S 1.50
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Best "Never-Slip" Ice Creepers, fastened on new or old overshoes or rubbers, 25c.—they keep you up.

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Children's Box Calf, nice Dress Shoes low heels, \$1.50. Children's Dongola Kid, spring heels, patent tips, \$1.15. Misses' Box Calf, low heels, \$1.00.

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CHRISTMAS DISPLAY.

"Ontario Beef," Lamb, Mutton, Pork, Veal, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Chickens, Fowls, Moose Steak, Venison, Quail, Prairie Hens, Black Duck, Brant, Squabs, Partridge, Hams and Bacon, Lard, Chopped Suet, Sausages.

O'NEIL BROS., City Market.

BUSTIN & WITHERS, 99 Germain Street.

Just One Day Left in which to take advantage of Christmas Sale of FURNITURE

We have a few Secretaries and Combination Desks, which we will sell at a small margin above COST in order to clear. These desks are made of Quartered Oak and real Mahogany. Call and take advantage of this great offer. Remember, all other lines are being offered at a Big Discount.

WHAT IS TOUGHER THAN A

George A. Slater, maker of Invictus Footwear, has proven that mule hide, specially tanned, makes best and most durable Hockey Boots. We have the same kind of Invictus Hockey Boots as are worn by the Upper Canadian hockeyists—and they know what a Hockey Boot should be. All sizes in black and tan. Men's, \$3.00, Ladies', \$3.00, Boys', \$2.50.

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MULE'S HIDE ?

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS.

We have a large stock of goods suitable for New Year's Presents, which we will sell at 25 per cent. discount.

JAMES A. TUFTS & SON, Corner Germain and Church Streets.

CHRISTMAS IN NEW YORK

Fully 200,000 Persons Fed by Charity --- Two Christmas Fatalities.

New York, Dec. 25.—Christmas day in New York was marked by the customary universal suspension of business and the usual family reunions and generous outpouring of public and private charity. Fully 200,000 persons partook of the bountiful Christmas fare provided in all the city hospitals and asylums, in missions and other benevolent institutions supported by private charity and at the annual distribution of dinners by the Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America. At the Grand Central Place the distribution of Christmas dinner baskets by the Salvation Army began early in the morning and continued until the need of nearly 5,000 families, or about 23,000 persons, had been relieved. In addition to this, numerous bundles of clothing for men, women and adults were distributed. It was announced that throughout the country the army fed more than 200,000 persons. At the Bowery mission more than 2,000 human derelicts were fed, and as many more were entertained at the city lodging house. Five thousand newsboys feasted at the expense of Randolph Guggenheim at the "Newsboys' Club" house in East Fourth street, and the usual dinner for the little fellows was served at the Newsboys' lodging house. Congressman Timothy D. Sullivan dispensed Christmas cheer and presents of pipes and tobacco to nearly 5,000 men at the headquarters in the Bowery. At the Manhattan State Hospital on Wards Island more than 4,000 insane persons partook of a Christmas dinner, and the evening participated in the annual distribution of presents, followed by the customary ball in the amusements hall. A tragic interruption of the Christmas festivities occurred at the home of Mrs. Paul Raymond, when her step-son, John Muscov, and his friend, Andrew Casman, who had been invited to join a family reunion, were found dead in bed this morning. The men, who recently had arrived from Russia, were unacquainted with the use of illuminating gas, and blew it out when they retired last night. Another fatality of the day was that of five-year-old Sadie O'Neilly, who was buried to death by her clothing catching fire from a Christmas tree, at her home in East 102nd street.

JACK LONDON HARD HIT

Mr. Jack London, who lives on royalties furnished him by the capitalist publishers of books sold to the "capitalist" class, is going around with a blood and thunder lecture that "annihilates the capitalist right between the eyes." Usually he doesn't mention publishers especially; he's too afraid for that, but he does rarely "smash between the eyes" his gang who to poor class hatred with sardonic epigrams. "The difference between black slavery and white slavery," he once heard him say to an audience of alleged workmen, "is simply this: a black slave used to be worth five hundred dollars, while you cheap devils down there on the floor aren't worth fifty cents a carload"—whereat the white slaves roared. Nobody near where Jack London raves. No, not even when he describes the cave man as living in pillowed luxury as compared with the American workmen. Such absurdities aren't laughable. I wonder where Jack London got his cheerful notions about the cave man. Was he ever paid quite proof against cold? Was he sure that an obliging bear or a thoughtful mammoth would happen along whenever he chanced to be hungry? Could he rely on killing the bear or the mammoth instead of only getting killed? Had he always agreeable personal relations with other cave men? It has hitherto seemed to me that the life of a cave man left much to be desired, and I'd try my luck with the American working man any time rather than take the trouble to crawl back along the trail of forty centuries and ignominiously turn cave man.

MAKING MEN GOOD BY LAW

(New York Commercial.) Right now we are being treated to the spectacle in Washington of hundreds of bills introduced for "regulating" the business of the country and forcing men and women by law to be honest. And in a section or more of States the newspapers are predicting that this or that trouble can never happen again because some fellow has a bill ready for the legislature that will prevent it. A timid man, listening to the alarmists in congress and in the newspapers, might easily believe that virtues and honor and integrity have gone to seed, that every man, as Walpole said, "has his price" and that he and his country have seen their best days. But somehow, governments "fours" refuse to decline a thousandth part of a mill under this bad outlook, and millions of dollars worth of business continue to be done daily on the nod of a lead pencil. A folded and sealed scrap of paper will still float around the globe in an iron ship and come safe to the eye for which it was written—but would it, if the average man were dishonest? The fact is, mankind is vastly better than it seems. It does not need to be made good "by law."

SNEAK THIEVES RELIEVED

Sneak thieves relieved Chas. J. Ward of the One Mile House of the Christmas dinner Saturday. Two turkeys and a goose, which he had in an ice chest outside the house, were stolen. There was time, however, to buy another "goose" for the Christmas dinner and this was done.

THE CONCERT PARTY

The concert party from the steamship Parisian gave an entertainment in the Seaman's Institute last night. The concert was very much enjoyed. Messrs. Sanctuary, Wilson, Potter, Brady, Jewop, Watson, Coulter and Joyce took part in the programme.

THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT

The position of assistant to the register is a position, made vacant by the death of J. Boyd Littlejohn, has not been permanently filled but the work is being done by Mr. Peter H. H. Littlejohn.

Curling Coats FOR Xmas Gifts.

Last year we were headquarters for Curling Coats. This year we have many new and handsome patterns. Curling Coats make very acceptable Xmas Gifts. Please call and inspect. Orders should be given early.

A. R. Campbell & Son, High Class Tailoring, 26 Germain St.

WEIGHING MACHINERY.

We make a specialty of repairing load, platform and counter scales, also weigh beams, to conform with inspectors' requirements.

E. S. STEPHENSON & CO., 17, 19 Nelson Street, St. John, N. B.

A COMPLETE RANGE OF Felt Boots FOR WORKINGMEN

Oil Grain Leather, 14-inch leg, Felt Pull-out Klondyke Laced Boots, \$3.00

Oil Grain Leather, long leg, Felt, Pull-out Boots, \$3.00

Oil Grain Leather, 14-inch leg, Felt, Stationary Laced Boots, \$2.50

Oil Grain Leather, 10-inch leg, Felt Boots, \$2.25

All Hand Slugged, Solid Sole Leather Bottoms, are Waterproof and will give double wear.

FRANCIS & VAUGHAN, 19 KING STREET, Tel. 1059.

Our Holiday Stock Is Filling Up Rapidly with New Clocks in Crystal—Gold—Bronze

New Jewelry in all the latest novelties. New Watches in complete variety. New Chains in all the popular patterns. New Sterling Silverware, Silver Plated Ware, Cut Glass, and a host of attractive goods too numerous to mention.

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JAMES V. RUSSELL, 677-679 Main Street.

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The Best Factories in Canada are represented in the New Stock of Boots and Shoes for Fall and Winter, which I have just received. You will find what you want at right prices. Call today.

"A Merry Xmas to All."

P. E. CAMPBELL, SEEDSMAN

YOUR XMAS DINNER.

Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens, Fresh Cauliflower, Oyster Plant, Brussels Sprouts, Artichokes, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Celery, Lettuce, Watercress, Radish, Holly Mistletoe.

J. E. QUINN, CITY MARKET. TELEPHONE 636.

Santa Claus is at Parson's West End,

With lots of toys for his little friends. Automobiles, Trolley Cars, Iron Toys, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, Toy Picture Books, Dolls and hundreds of pretty things to make every one of his friends happy. E. O. PARSONS, West End.

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Your hair should be cut in the style most becoming to your features. If you call here you will be exactly suited. Try your next shave and hair cut at "The basement barber shop."

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Fresh Pies.

All kinds of delicious pies and cakes. Our products are just like home-made. York Bakery, Phone 1457. 250 Brussels street, 565 Main street.

FRESH FISH DAILY.

You can get fresh fish here every day. Salt and smoked fish too; all kinds. Fresh vegetables in abundance. COLLINS BROS., 17 Winslow St. ST. JOHN WEST.

PHOTOS PHOTOS PHOTOS!

Photos of the Scholars of Victoria and Alexandria Schools can be seen at my studio. Also views of the Launching of the Ludlow. Amateur finishing a specialty. GEO. C. M. FARREN, 74 Germain Street.

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25 Dozen Caps, with Turn Down Fur Bands. These Caps were bought at a cut price. Our customers get the benefit. Price 50 Cents.

F. S. THOMAS, 539 Main Street, North End.

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10 yards in roll.

Xmas Candles,
For Tree and Candelabra.

Xmas Stockings,
From 10c to 35c each.

Candy,
Mixed, Creams, Chocolate,
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**Lady Fingers,
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**Chrystallized Peaches,
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Season.

Ladies' and Gent's
Fur Lined Gloves.

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Forget the Horse.**

Here are a few—A nice set of Harness;
A nice Kersey Blanket; A nice Fur Robe;
A nice Whip. A nice Horse Brush, A
nice Fur Driving Coat. A nice
Sleigh Heater to keep you warm when
out driving. This makes an excellent
present and is something that will be ap-
preciated.

We have a great many other articles
suitable for presents all of which are
offering at special low prices.

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TORONTO'S DRY SUNDAY

The Ontario license law has a provision
that all bars must be closed from 7 a. m.
on Saturday until 6 a. m. on Monday,
which provision has heretofore been more
honored in the breach than in the obser-
vance. But a new inspector has been ap-
pointed who is apparently determined
that the law shall be carried out. A
week ago he issued an order to all the
Toronto hotels that not only must they
close their bars within the prescribed
hours, but no liquor should be served to
their guests within that period. The
World tells that there was amazement
and indignation among the hotel patrons
and some of them used language which
made acquainted with the order, but it
was none the less enforced and Toronto
had for once a dry Sunday.

A GREAT MANY PEOPLE
are thanking us for advising
them to take

HEARNER'S DYSPEPSIA CURE.

They say they never felt any dis-
comfort from their Christmas dinner.
You try it.

Price 35 cents
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Overcoats . .**

Ready-to-Wear

Even the best class of
tailors find difficulty in turn-
ing out these Overcoats just
so. Thanks to a masterful
designer,

Our "Paddocks,"
20th Century Brand,
are elegant types, with full,
shapely shoulders, snug fit-
ting collars, a graceful waist
line, and liberally draped
skirt.

\$22.00 and \$25.00.

A. GILMOUR,
68 King Street. Fine Tailoring.
Ready-to-Wear Clothing.

**WILL NOT GO
TO TORONTO**

**James Pender and W. H.
Bruckhof Will Ignore At-
torney Curry's Summons.**

James Pender does not intend to go to Toronto in response to the summons served upon him at the instance of Crown Attorney Curry of Toronto to answer a charge of conspiracy in the tack business. Mr. Pender said last night that he had taken advice on the matter and had wired Crown Attorney Curry that he had not manufactured tacks for ten years, that and as he was out of the business two years before that, he claims that his reasons for not going to Toronto are strengthened. He had not received any word from Mr. Curry, he said, since sending the telegram.

Wm. H. Bruckhof, manager of the Portland Rolling Mills, who was summoned to appear in Toronto on Dec. 28 in connection with the charge of conspiracy said by Crown Attorney Curry against different Canadian concerns, said last night that he was very strongly of the opinion that he would not go to Toronto. In order to be in that city on the date specified, it will be necessary for him to leave here on the 6 o'clock train tonight.

"I do not think I shall go to Toronto," he said, "but I shall know for certain by tomorrow. I believe it is very probable that I shall remain where I am, for I cannot see the necessity of going, and I do not believe I could be compelled. To take the trip would mean expending the company's money and my own time unnecessarily."

HUGH WATT'S TRIAL

**Case of Ex British M. P. Most
Remarkable of Modern Times**

London, Dec. 25.—The remarkable trial of Hugh Watt, the former member of parliament, charged with inciting hared rioting, and with inciting to riot, Watt, and Sir Reginald Beauchamp, ended Thursday with a verdict of guilty. Watt was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

The judge, in summing up, said it was the most extraordinary case of modern times. Improbable as was the whole story, he thought it was equally improbable that any one could concoct and swear to such charges. The question of the guilt of Watt had not been raised, so the jury had nothing to do but find a verdict of guilty or not guilty.



HUGH WATT

Continuing the judge pointed out that the death of the former M. P. Watt would place Watt in exactly the position he desired, as it would enable him to legislate his marriage to Lady Violet Beauchamp, which at present was illegal because Mrs. Watt had declined to have her divorce made absolute. Her death would also annul the deed of settlement between Watt and Mrs. Watt, which Watt desired.

The jury was out nearly two hours.

STORE FRONT WRECKED

The front of William M. Sanborn's boot and shoe store in the city, nearly opposite the corner of Douglas avenue, was practically wrecked about midnight on Sunday. A couple of young men were driving along the avenue toward Main street, when the horse took fright and became unmanageable. The occupants were thrown out and the team rounded the corner at a terrific clip.

The sleigh was hurled against the plate glass windows of Mr. Sanborn's establishment and the displayed wares were considerably damaged. The glass in one of the windows was totally demolished, the other window was also badly smashed, the door was broken and by the time the plunging horse finally rid himself of the general wreckage, the sleigh was also splintered. The horse was cut by the falling glass.

The driver of No. 2 Salvage Corp was awakened, Mr. Sanborn notified, and with the assistance of another member of the corp, they enclosed the windows with one of their large covers.

LICENSE REDUCTION

Several ministers in Hamilton, Ont., last Sunday took the city council to task for refusing to submit to the people the question of liquor licenses. Rev. Dr. Rose, Centenary church, answered the argument advanced at the time, and claimed there was no good reason why the request should have been refused. He referred to the sixteen aldermen who opposed the matter, and said there was victory which spelled ultimate defeat. Dr. Rose said the mayor was ready to accept the counsel of ministers in the sentiment matter, but in a simple question of trusting the people he and the aldermen seemed afraid to do so.

Rev. S. W. Fuller, Cove street church, deplored the fact that not a single local paper supported the petition for a vote on license reduction. The council violated a sacred principle, he said, when they refused to give the people a chance to vote. In his opinion the cause of the city was partyism.

Rev. T. Egerton Shore intimated that he would like his people to vote for the four aldermen who favored submitting the question to the electors. He thought the License Commissioners could easily cut off 25 licenses.

CRISIS OF GIRLHOOD

A TIME OF PAIN AND PERIL

Miss Emma Cole Says that Lydia B. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has Saved Her Life and Made Her Well

How many lives of beautiful young girls have been sacrificed just as they were ripening into womanhood! How many irregularities or displacements have been developed during this important period, resulting in years of suffering!

Girls' modesty and oversensitiveness often puzzle their mothers and baffle physicians, because they withhold their confidence at this critical period.

A mother should come to her child's aid and remember that Lydia B. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will at this time prepare the system for the coming change and start the menstrual period in a young girl's life without pain or irregularities.

Miss Emma Cole of Tullahoma, Tenn., writes:

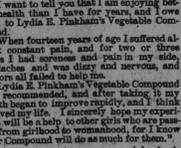
Dear Mrs. Pinkham—

I want to tell you that I am enjoying better health than I have for years, and I owe it all to Lydia B. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

When fourteen years of age I suffered almost constant pain, and for two or three years I had serious and pain in my side, headaches, and was dizzy and nervous, and doctors all failed to help me.

Lydia B. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended, and after taking it my health began to improve, and I think it saved my life. I sincerely hope my experience will be a help to other girls who are suffering from girlhood to womanhood, for I know your Compound will do as much for them.

If you know of any young girl who is sick and needs motherly advice ask her to write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., and she will receive free advice which will put her on the right road to strong, healthy and happy womanhood.



**SPORTSMEN'S SHOW
OPENED YESTERDAY**

**Splendid Exhibition in Boston—
Moving Pictures Shown of New
Brunswick Moose Hunting.**

Boston, Dec. 25.—National and state governments, and north, south, east and west, each have contributed features to the Sportsmen's Show, which opened in the Chamber Building in this city, today, for two weeks, under the auspices of the New England Forest, Fish and Game Association.

The interior of the two main halls of Mechanics' building have been converted into a realistic Maine forest scene. Live animals, birds, and mammals, are packed with spruce, fir and hemlock-bark, cross beams have been hidden in evergreen, and large evergreen and birch trees have been grouped effectively, with a background of two large paintings of Mount Kinross and Lake Umbagog.

Through vistas in the mimic forest two large artificial lakes may be seen, in which one may observe more than 2,000 water fowl of seventy-five varieties, as well as nearly every species of native beaver, otter, muskrat and trout in large numbers. A water fall further adds to the wild woodland aspect.

The forestry department of the United States government has loaned its world famous collection of tree cultures, pests, instruments and botanical specimens. A complete herbarium of Massachusetts flora has been prepared by State Forester Aikman and Professor Fisher, of Harvard.

One of the features of the show is an exhibition of motion pictures of hunting and fishing in Maine and Canadian woods. Log cabins, with guides from Maine and the provinces, are set in among the trees. There will be a fly-casting tournament in one of the lakes, open to members of the New England Forest, Fish and Game Association, which contests every afternoon. Indians from the Maine tribes will show how canoes are made and handled. There are band concerts and other popular features in connection with the exhibition.

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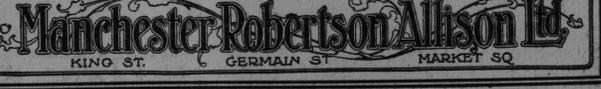
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CHRISTMAS DAY WAS WELL SPENT Fine Weather Made Delightful Holiday--In the Institutions--Presentations.

At the Provincial Hospital at Lancaster Heights the wards were gaily decorated and the five hundred patients, as well as nurses and officials, entered fully into the spirit of the holiday.

At the Home for Incurables an excellent Christmas dinner was served to the twenty-five inmates of the institution.

The boys and girls in the Protestant Orphan Asylum had separate Christmas trees, both well supplied with useful articles and sweets.

The Christmas tree in the Wiggan's Male Orphan Institution is being decorated for Thursday evening, when relatives of the boys are invited to attend.

Joseph S. Knowles who has been confined to his home for some months was presented with a purse by a number of friends.

Mr. Wagg--"There's something very strange about these pyrograph machines." Mr. Wagg--"I haven't noticed. What is it?" Mr. Wagg--"Why, the tracings credit the quotations to dozens of authors, but when they are finished they are invariably 'care'."

HON. RAYMOND PREFONTAINE DIED IN PARIS YESTERDAY

Minister of Marine and Fisheries Succumbed to Heart Failure --He Had Taken a Heart Stimulant Just Before He Was Stricken--His Career.

PARIS, Dec. 25--Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, the Canadian minister of marine and fisheries, died suddenly tonight. Paris, Dec. 25--Mr. Prefontaine, accompanied by Rudolph Lemieux, the Canadian solicitor-general, recently came to Paris in connection with the marine and fisheries. During the progress of his engagements, he was stricken with a heart failure.

HON. RAYMOND PREFONTAINE efforts for the improvement of the St. Lawrence channel. To this he gave great attention and much good work was accomplished during the period of his administration.

Joseph Raymond Fournier Prefontaine, K. C., belonged to a family that settled in Canada in 1680. He was born at Longueuil (Que.), Sept. 16, 1850, and was educated by private tuition and at St. Mary's (Jesuit) College, Montreal.

The British ambassador, Sir Francis L. Bertie, was accompanied by Hon. Mr. Lemieux and arrangements for the funeral of the late Mr. Prefontaine left here he was in the best of health and spirits.

Mr. Prefontaine was a man of great energy and a life long political supporter. He was a member of the House of Commons from 1873 to 1881, and for the same constituency in the House of Commons from 1885 to 1892.

Mr. Prefontaine devoted a great deal of attention to the work of his department, and was deeply interested in the safeguarding of navigation on the St. Lawrence.

Mr. Prefontaine visited St. John several times. About a couple of months ago he was here on a tour of the maritime provinces. When in Charlottetown he interested himself in the problem of establishing communication across the Straits of Northumberland in winter.

The minister of marine left Montreal four weeks ago for London. His visit abroad was to take up the question of a naval reserve with the home authorities.

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Irving's "Knickerbocker" would not suffer by comparison with Don Quixote or Gulliver's Travels, but his fame is linked most closely with Rip Van Winkle and the Legend of Sleepy Hollow.

A liberal in politics, he sat in the Liberal election for Chambly in the Quebec legislature from 1873 to 1881, and for the same constituency in the House of Commons from 1885 to 1892.

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A HOT HAND A COLD HANDLE How Do Your Hands Feel? ASBESTOS LINED ASBESTOS COVERED. When your ironing is done, do your hands feel burned and lame from a hot handle or a mishapen one? Well, then, you need a set of ASBESTOS SAD IRONS. Just notice the principle of the handle. It is of wood, shaped to fit the hand. Further, the handle is dabbled by means of a special process with the Asbestos-lined wood. Thus it is doubly protected from heat, while the heat is retained in the core. Price Two Dollars Per Set. EMERSON & FISHER Ltd., 25 Germain Street.

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IN THE WORLD OF LABOR

The American Federation of Labor has refused to grant a charter to the National Stogie Makers' League, because the trade is so closely identified with cigar making.

There is a well defined movement for a national organization of school teachers on trade-union lines in the United States.

After a conference lasting over two months, the Brotherhood of Carpenters made an agreement with the Master Carpenters' Association in New York recently affecting 12,000 men, by which wages will be increased from \$4.50 to \$4.80 a day on July 1.

Wrappers and warp dressers in 28 cloth mills in Philadelphia struck recently because the manufacturers declined to advance their weekly wages from \$16.00 to \$16.60. Although but 150 men are at present involved, their work is of such a character that if the manufacturers are unable to fill their places 12,000 employees will be rendered idle.

There are at present over 700,000 men unemployed in Japan, owing to the return of the troops from Manchuria. This is causing uneasiness in view of the industrial depression now prevailing, and the likelihood of a revival in business in the near future.

The United Mine Workers at Shamokin, Pa., of the anthracite region in convention, adopted unanimously the report of the wage scale committee calling for a conference with the operators looking to an agreement regarding wages, hours of labor and other conditions of employment after April 1 next. The principal demands incorporated in the report are an eight-hour day and recognition of the union.

Lawrence, Mass., women mills will advance their earnings ten per cent. increase in pay at once.

The American Federation of Labor, at its last session in Pittsburg, passed a resolution favoring Women's suffrage as a necessary step toward raising them to a level with men on a wage scale.

Women in all parts of the United States are to be asked to join in the fight against the age limit which bars men above forty-five years of employment. A letter of appeal to aged men's wives and daughters has been prepared by the Anti-Age Limit League, and it is expected to spur the fair sex to action.

The Bureau of Statistics of Labor for New York State for 1908 reports that one-half the unions have been injured by immigrant competition. Of 866 unions, 120 with 24,827 members, suffered reduction of wages; 97 unions, with a membership of 22,313, had fewer working days in the year.

Resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Central Textile Union, in Philadelphia, urging Governor Pennypacker to issue a supplemental call for an extra session of the legislature, and to include among other reform bills, one for the protection of women and children employed in mills and factories.

The Carpenters' Council of Boston has received a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, in reply to a paper made regarding a wharf contractor working his men nine hours a day at the Charleston Navy Yard, in which the secretary said that the Navy Department could not compel a contractor to work his men only eight hours.

It is reported that radical changes in the immigration laws will follow next session of Commissioner General of Immigration.

Rev. A. S. Morton, of Pine Hill College, Halifax, spent Christmas in St. John on his way home from Toronto.

BATTLE RAGES IN MOSCOW

Twenty Thousand Victims

Estimated that 5,000 Have Been Killed and 14,000 Wounded in Struggles Between Soldiers and Revolutionaries—Machine Guns Poured Grape and Cannon Into the Mob.

London, Dec. 26.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at St. Petersburg in a despatch dated at 6.45 p. m. Dec. 26 says:

"At an early hour this morning the casualties at Moscow were estimated at 5,000 killed and 14,000 wounded, with the fighting still proceeding.

"The inhabitants of Moscow have been forbidden to leave their dwellings after 7 in the evening.

"It is impossible to move about the city in consequence of the frequency of stray bullets. Many innocent persons have been accidentally killed.

"A scarcity of provisions is threatened.

"The same correspondent, telegraphing at 10.28 p. m., says:

"Your Moscow correspondent's telegrams have not been accepted because all private messages were refused this afternoon.

"It is learned, however, that cannon firing is now proceeding in various parts of the city where barricades erected by the revolutionaries are being desperately defended.

"The Kurak terminus at Moscow is being pillaged and many wagons loaded with provisions are being looted.

"The emperor is engaged daily in reviewing at Tsarskoe Selo the regiments of the St. Petersburg district. The spirit of the troops is decidedly loyal.

"From fragmentary accounts received from Moscow I gather that the civil war has brought no decisive action, but only a thickening of the blood cloud, an intensifying of the horrors and an increase of the prevailing bitterness.

"The driving force behind both the troops and the rebels is no longer that of enthusiasm or of any human impulse. It is the force of superhuman hate and hence the deeds reported are not the acts of patriots, soldiers or otherwise, but the enormities of mad men.

"It is impossible to understand how any emotion, even the extreme of despair or hate, can impart such foolhardy courage as some of the rebels display.

"For every barricade destroyed Sunday two or three appeared in other places. Orders were given by the revolutionaries to shoot only when there was good hope of bringing a man down, but otherwise to tire out the troops until they lost patience.

"In the meantime in their houses, the bulk of the population covers in the innermost recesses of kitchens and cellars, spiders with fear and trembling at every boom of the cannon or the explosion of a bomb.

"The most surprising thing of all is the

loyalty of the troops, which nobody here anticipated.

"Talking with an intelligent group of St. Petersburg revolutionaries, I was informed that while they believed the strike would be victorious, they fully realized they were staking everything upon the issue and that failure would set back their cause for several years. They said they were devoting their efforts to shaking the foundations of Russian finance, in full confidence that they could as quickly build another and that foreign nations would be as ready to advance money to a democratic republic as to the autocracy. They emphatically denied that they were inciting the peasantry to commit agrarian outrages, declaring that these outrages were the work of the revolutionaries, but they did not deny their advocacy of the distribution of crown lands among the peasants.

"In conclusion, they declared that in event of the failure of their cause, they would have recourse to terrorism, choosing their victims from all classes of society."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—1.10 p. m.—Direct telegraphic communication with Moscow was severed last night but the government succeeded in restoring communication by a roundabout route this morning.

All reports agree that the fighting yesterday which continued until midnight assumed the nature of a butchery by the machine guns of the artillery, grape and cannon being employed mercilessly against the ill-armed insurgents.

Airborne tales are told of the Cossacks who piled with vodka until drunk, fired down the streets, sometimes charging with lances. The insurgents displayed great stubbornness in holding barricades, even advancing in a mass to the slaughter. At the same time bombs were thrown from the windows of houses near the barricades occupied by the revolutionaries.

The artillery was summoned and battered the houses to pieces.

The plan of the insurgents, it is stated, is to hold the outskirts and gradually enclose the troops in the center of the city. The leaders announce that an army of 30,000 is concentrated at Orechovskoye, northeast of Moscow, and will soon be ready to march to the city.

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CHRISTMAS WEDDINGS

Monday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, 839 Union street, Miss Mamie, daughter of the late George H. Moberly, was married to Norman Robert Moberly, of Noank (Conn.). The ceremony, which took place at 5.30 o'clock, was performed by Rev. George M. Campbell, of Queen square Methodist church. Only a few of the most intimate friends and relations of the contracting parties were present.

The bride was handsomely and becomingly gowned in champagne voile and carried a bouquet of white roses. There were no attendants. The bride's traveling dress was of blue canvas cloth with a black velvet hat.

Among the numerous presents received was a handsome silver salver from Mrs. Moberly's class and the rest of the teaching staff of the Queen square Methodist church Sunday school. The newly married couple will reside in Noank.

Miss Ellie A., daughter of Mrs. Mary L. Lloyd, was married Monday afternoon at the residence of her mother, 178 Union street, to William Lee Hiseock, of the firm of Moberly & Sons, employes. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. J. Prosser, of Waterloo street Baptist church. The bride was dressed in white silk crepe de chine over a white silk dress and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Mr. and Mrs. Hiseock will reside at 178 Union street.

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NEW BONDING REGULATIONS
Ottawa, Dec. 25.—(Special)—The minister of customs and commissioner of customs prepared today a memorandum in regard to the new warehouse bonding regulations. The effect of the new regulations will be that the parties requiring the services of a customs officer will require to pay for the same.

Instead of a stated sum the parties requiring a bonded warehouse will have to pay the officer for the time he is employed. Ministers will hear what the importers have to say on the subject during their trip to the east on the tariff commission.

Mrs. John S. Malcolm left on this morning's train to visit her mother, Mrs. J. B. Adam, of Maniac, Victoria county.

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CALENDAR
Of Temple of Honor and Temperance of N. B.

THE WEATHER
Tuesday, Dec. 26.
Forecast—Fresh westerly winds, fair and a little milder.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT AT NOON.
Highest temperature during last 24 hours, 25.

THIS EVENING
Typographical Union meets at 7 o'clock.

ON AND AFTER DEC. 2nd
ALL
CHURCH NOTICES
WILL BE CHARGED FOR
AT THE RATE OF
25c. FOR EACH INSERTION.

LOCAL NEWS
The Sovereign Life Insurance Company is presenting a most well-calculated plan to its patrons and friends.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE
J. A. Clarke, of Brook & Paterson, Limited, was a passenger on last night's C. P. R. for New York, where he will take the S. S. Oceanic on Wednesday for London and Paris.

PURSE FOR REV.
Rev. A. W. Meahan, rector of the cathedral parish was presented last night in the cathedral vestry with a purse of gold by the altar boys.

SHOT AT FOOT OF CHRISTMAS TREE
Little Girl Killed by Stray Bullet While Placing Gifts on a Tree.

POPULAR GIFT FOR ALICE ROOSEVELT
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