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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1906.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM A WIN

Big Fight for Control of the Insurance Companies

ELECTIONS TODAY

Samuel Untermyer Says That in Any Case a Legislative Investigation Will be Made Into Campaign Methods of New York Life and Mutual Life.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Early today both sides in the fight that has been going on to obtain control of the New York Life and Mutual Life Insurance Companies and their vast assets, claimed a victory.

The New York Life claimed an administrative victory by any measure by 150,000 to 250,000 votes, while the Mutual management predicted a victory by the administration by 100,000 votes.

The elections today will be held at the offices of the New York Life and Mutual Life Insurance companies under the supervision of a force of inspectors appointed by Superintendent of Insurance Kelly. The polls will be open at 10 a. m., and the voting will continue until 4 p. m., all of the day.

GRFATER THAN THE DREADNOUGHT United States May Build Warship the Most Powerful in the World.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The secretary of the navy has sent to Congress detailed specifications for a new 20,000-ton battleship, to be the most powerful fighting ship in the world.

MILITIA APPOINTMENTS OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 18 (Special).—Today's Canada Gazette has the following: Lieutenant Colonel and Honorary Colonel G. S. Ryerson transferred to the reserve of officers, also Lieutenant A. B. Osborne.

WEALTHY PRELATE DEAD ROME, Dec. 18.—The death was announced today of Mgr. Adami, one of the wealthiest Roman prelates.

DAIRY LULU TO WED NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Miss Lulu Glasser acknowledged last night that she is to become the bride of Ralph C. Herz, an English actor, who was formerly leading comedian in her company.

A COLD WAVE ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 17.—Since yesterday the temperature in St. Paul has dropped degrees. The lowest temperature here today was 8 below zero.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Forecast: Eastern States and Northern New York, fair and colder tonight; Wednesday, fair, warmer in west portions; diminishing northerly winds.

BELGIUM TO TAKE CONTROL

King Leopold Will No Longer be the Landlord

OF CONGO STATE

The Deal Is to be Consummated at Once and the Belgian Government Will Assume Complete Sovereignty Over the Congo Free State and Its Immense Resources.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Herbert S. Johnson, a leader in the Congo Reform Association, received a telegram while attending a banquet last night, summoning him to Washington.

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BANK OF GERMANY RAISES ITS RATES Discount Rate Advanced From 6 to 7 per Cent.—A Preliminary Precaution Against Gold Shortage.

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—The Imperial Bank of Germany raised its rate of discount today from 6 to 7 per cent.

THE INCREASE OF THE GERMAN BANK RATE had some effect on the stock exchange here where it was accepted as proof that money will remain dear until Friday noon of New Year.

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ARGUMENT FOR NEW TRIAL FOR CLARK HEARD BEFORE SUPREME COURT TODAY

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 18.—(Special).—The supreme court met here this morning pursuant to adjournment and took up the crown case of the King v. W. E. Clark, tried at the last circuit court at St. John and reserved by Justice Landry.

J. B. M. Baxter appeared for Clark and the crown was represented by Attorney-General Pugsley. All the members of the bench were present except Justice Barker, who was engaged in equity court at St. John.

SHE CLAIMS THE THRONE OF CHINA Manchu Wife of an English Officer in Victoria, Says She is Rightful Empress of China

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 18.—(Special).—A Manchu banner woman, married to an English officer of Gordon's army, announces that she has made claim to the throne of China.

ST. JOHN LADIES FOR MONTREAL Rinks of Lady Curlers will Compete in Bonspiel Early in February.

CHARGES AGAINST A JAIL GOVERNOR Governor Van Zant of Toronto Jail Charged With Unbecomingly Conduct With Prisoners.

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NEVER SEE A SILK HAT

George Mullin Says That "Toppers" Are Scarce in Calgary

FORMER ST. JOHN MAN

Talks of the West—He Says Westerners Are Very Largely in Favor of Reciprocity for the United States and Canada—Careless About Their Patriotism.

A Times man talked this morning with George W. Mullin, formerly of this city but now of Calgary. Mr. Mullin returned home to spend the festive season.

IN SPEAKING OF THE PEOPLE OF CALGARY, and of those in the western cities surrounding it, Mr. Mullin said that it is a notable fact that the people disregard all loyalty to the mother land.

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KILTIES STILL IN THE LEAD

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ANOTHER BIG DAY

Yesterday's—Foresters are Making Gains but Scotch Brigade Still Tops the List—Some Letters From Enthusiasts.

The organizations prominent in the Evening Times contest are making frantic efforts to reach first position. The interest in the struggle is now at fever heat.

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26-28 Charlotte Street, Old Y. M. C. A. Building.

St. John, N. B. ALEX. CORBET, Mgr.

This Store Open Every Evening Until TEN O'CLOCK.

Do Your Christmas Shopping at Day or Night.

JUST THE GIFT

HE WANTS IS HERE Almost anything his heart desires for you will find it in our store. OUR CHRISTMAS DISPLAY is overflowing with natty new designs, and all the latest fashions in Neckwear, Silk Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Smoking Jackets, Robes, Etc., Etc.

Umbrella Gifts make very handsome and acceptable ones. Our stock is large and our quality is of the finest. Inspection is cordially invited. We have Umbrellas for Ladies or Gentlemen.

Overcoats

Another new shipment of Overcoats arrived today. Our sales have been so great that we are even receiving more Overcoats to comply with the big demand we are getting for Overcoats. Our stock is well assorted, all of the highest grade, which are bound to give satisfaction.

Prices \$5.90 to \$20.00.

You can save money by buying here. Handsome Fancy Boxes Given Away Free.

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No Good Flour Can Be Made EASILY. It takes time, trouble, and the closest attention to the minutest detail of every milling process, to say nothing of adding considerably to the cost of production, to make good flour. You know you must watch your bread carefully during every process from the mixing to the baking, but however close the attention you may give it your trouble will be wasted unless you are using a flour which has been made with corresponding care. No brands on the market today are made more carefully than our "FIVE ROSES" and "HARVEST QUEEN." The grain itself is cleaned by the newest and most perfect machinery before being ground, and the flour is sifted and tested by experts at every stage of the milling in order to insure the nearest approach to perfection it is possible to obtain by modern methods. If you use these brands and give corresponding attention to the details of your baking, you will have as a result bread which cannot be equalled for quality and nourishing value. Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Limited. Montreal. St. John. Winnipeg.

ATTEND THIS CHRISTMAS SALE A Dollar acquires Double Purchasing Power That Enters Here . . . UNUSUAL BARGAINS Glassware, China, Japanese Ware, Silver-Plated Ware Leather Goods, Toys, Books, Games, Waggon, Sleds. Come here for Christmas Gifts. Everything in our store must be sold, and many things are marked below cost.

JAS. A. TUFTS & SON, Germain and Church Streets.

Notice to Mariners The combined gas and whistling buoy anchored off the Old Province Light in the Bay of Fundy, is reported afloat. It will be replaced in position as soon as practicable. F. J. HARDING, Agent. Dept. Marine and Fisheries, St. John, N. B. A. R. Wetmore, provincial engineer, came in from Fredericton on the Boston train last evening.

SHARPEST CUTTING SUITS for Ladies and Men are made of Hewson Tweeds PURE WOOL HEWSON AMHERST TWEEDS The cloths are absolutely Pure Wool—and will wash. Look for the Hewson trade mark—the sign and guarantee of PURE WOOL.

Daily Fashion Hint for Times Readers.



COAT FOR LITTLE GIRL. A very attractive model for a little girl's section being edged with a narrow band of fur and an applique of heavy white Eriza hair. The coat was lined with a strap of the cloth and the full sleeves were finished with deep cuffs of lace and fur.



SEALSKIN RETURNS TO FAVOR. For several seasons there have appeared but few models in sealskin, and those have been chiefly of the plainer and quieter sort. For one thing, the dense and dark fur responds but little to the blandishments of the trimmer, and the trimmer is altogether the most important person on the fur-mer's staff just now. But with the marked scarcity of sealskin—the catch this last year has not been one-tenth of what it has been heretofore—and the general rise in the price of all furs, there has cropped up a demand for this plain and dark pelts among those who demand that their possessions shall not be duplicated in copies of the fur from Milano, and you will then carefully arrange for the embarkation of Humbert's officers on board the yacht. Luckily you know them already. I shall arrange to get Prince Carlos out of the way, so your work should be accomplished without detection by the Nihilists or other mischief. Give out the yacht proceeds to England. I shall spread abroad the same story. Now, my Lord, as to you, I give you discretionary powers. You shall assist and capture the island in the manner that appears best to you. I have shown me how capable you are. You will if possible take the Count d'Atala prisoner and bring him— Suddenly a sharp rap sounded on the door. Perigord frowned and called out loudly in French: "Who is there?" "D'Atala, sir!" answered a faint voice. Perigord crossed the room and opened the door. "Come in," he said coldly, then, when the man, a small, consumptive-looking Frenchman, whose face was very pale and nervous-looking, had entered, "my orders were that I was not to be disturbed. Something of importance has of course occurred?" "Yes, sir. I have waited very long, fearing to annoy you, but I dared not any longer. The King—" he paused in a moment, as if he had something to say that surprised his face. (To be continued.)

\$200 IN GOLD \$200 IN GOLD THE EVENING TIMES POPULAR VOTING CONTEST This Coupon Counts ONE VOTE For as the most popular organization. \$200 IN GOLD \$200 IN GOLD

THE COUNTERSTROKE By AMBROSE PRATT Author of "Vigorous Daunt, Billionaire."

(Continued.) Cressingham smiled and shrugged his shoulders. "He can't allow himself to trust anybody completely, that man. Strange, isn't it? Wonder what the true reason is. I fancy it's lack of breeding myself. He's a grand chap, wonderfully brainy and all that sort of thing, but don't think he had a grandfather, do you, Oeltjen?" "One can't tell. He is as you say a wonderful, indeed an extraordinary man. But I have certainly noticed little things about him—" "Ota's his brand," said Cressingham. "He's a poor speller," said Oeltjen. "He is now. Well, I've once or twice found the grammar faulty for all the wonderful linguist that he undoubtedly is. What country do you suppose he sprang from?" "America, I think." "H'm, I rather fancy he's a Frenchman." "Permit me to assist you, if you are talking of me," said an ironic voice from the doorway. "I was born at Totna, on the Danube." Perigord entered and locked the door behind him after giving some direction to a man in the passage without. Cressingham and Oeltjen were cast in utter confusion by his sudden appearance and his words, but he turned to them presently with a good-humored smile and said, "some day I shall tell you all about myself, since you are interested enough to be curious about me. But for the present we have business on hand and I confess that I am anxious to play the listener myself. First, however, let us defend ourselves from eavesdroppers. I have men on guard, but that is no reason why we should not observe every possible precaution." While yet speaking he advanced to the bed and unceremoniously gathered up sheets, blankets and in his arms he fixed them around and about the door so that any cunning person who might essay to listen without would find his trouble quite in vain. Satisfied with his arrangements, he drew the others to the farthest wall of the room and himself sitting on the unpolished bed motioned his companions to chairs beside him. "Now my Lord," he said eagerly, "commence, please, and from the moment that I left you at the palace gate the night of the Council." Cressingham nodded and began his story. It was then eleven o'clock a. m. At six p. m. he had finished, having spoken almost uninterruptedly for seven hours, and so engrossed had he been in his discourse and so rapid had been his auditors' attention that neither he nor they had given a solitary thought to lunch or any other thing outside the story that he had to tell. A long silence followed his last word, a silence given up to anxious reflection; then Perigord said slowly: "I cannot forgive myself for having believed you a traitor, my Lord Francis. Oeltjen was wiser than

taking any alarm. Tonight, soon after dark, Oeltjen will convey you secretly on board the Sea Hawk, where you will await instructions, but to prevent accidents you must immediately disguise yourself—we must run no further risks like that of this morning which you so cleverly evaded." He plunged one hand into his breast pocket and drew forth a false black moustache and imperial. "Fix that on your face, my Lord, it will serve to alter your expression, as you are supposed to be dead you will not be regarded very closely. Once you are on board the yacht you will be quite safe from observation." "And when shall I set out?" demanded the young man, as he took the things and proceeded to adorn himself before a mirror. "As soon as possible. By three days at furthest. I shall myself set out for Milan this very evening to consult with King Humbert, for without his assistance we can do very little, as you will require more men to attack the island than I have at present on the yacht." "Nuisance!" cried Cressingham. "I agree, but we cannot help ourselves. Oeltjen and I had better have your dinner in this room. I myself am pledged to dine with Cardinal Corsini and must leave you at once. After you have taken Lord Francis on the yacht you will return here, Oeltjen, and wait in the hotel for a telegram from me. I shall wire you from Milano, and you will then carefully arrange for the embarkation of Humbert's officers on board the yacht. Luckily you know them already. I shall arrange to get Prince Carlos out of the way, so your work should be accomplished without detection by the Nihilists or other mischief. Give out the yacht proceeds to England. I shall spread abroad the same story. Now, my Lord, as to you, I give you discretionary powers. You shall assist and capture the island in the manner that appears best to you. I have shown me how capable you are. You will if possible take the Count d'Atala prisoner and bring him— Suddenly a sharp rap sounded on the door. Perigord frowned and called out loudly in French: "Who is there?" "D'Atala, sir!" answered a faint voice. Perigord crossed the room and opened the door. "Come in," he said coldly, then, when the man, a small, consumptive-looking Frenchman, whose face was very pale and nervous-looking, had entered, "my orders were that I was not to be disturbed. Something of importance has of course occurred?" "Yes, sir. I have waited very long, fearing to annoy you, but I dared not any longer. The King—" he paused in a moment, as if he had something to say that surprised his face. (To be continued.)

Remington Typewriter Sales last year were great, but our business for the first three-quarters of 1906 exceeds that of the entire year 1905. Typewriters come and typewriters go. But the Remington runs on forever. Remington Typewriter Company W. J. HIGGINSON, Agent, 66 Prince Wm. Street, St. John, N. B.

SACKVILLE SACKVILLE, Dec. 15.—Sackville Council R. T. of T., elected the following officers last evening for the ensuing quarter: T. R. Erhardt, select councillor; Marjorie Bickel, vice councillor; H. C. Bower, past councillor; J. M. Palmer, chairman; Hazel Cook, recording secretary; Josephine Crane, financial secretary; Blanche Erhardt, treasurer; Geo. S. Wry, herald; Myrtle Richardson, deputy herald; Addie Wry, guard; Ernest Harper, assistant; Freda Gray, organist; J. M. Palmer and F. W. Wry, auditors. The marriage of Donald Truman of Campbellton and Miss Marie Wells, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Edward Wells, is announced for the 20th inst. The remains of the late T. R. Holman, of Charlottetown, passed through here yesterday en route to Montreal, for cremation. Son and daughter accompanied the remains. Mrs. Geo. Gourley and child leave on Monday for Waskia, Sask., to visit Mr. Gourley who preceded them some weeks ago. Wm. Moir of the Bank of Montreal has been transferred to Bridgewater, N. S. and leaves on Monday for his new position. A literary society has been recently

Your Cold How will your cold be tonight? Worse, probably. How about tomorrow? The trouble is, colds always tend downward. Stop this downward tendency with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Your doctor will tell you why it can do this. Ask him all about it. Ask him if he has anything better for coughs and colds. Then follow his advice, whatever it is. We have no secret. We publish J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Financial and Commercial

MINES AND WILD CATS

Investors Should be Careful. Says C. J. McCuaig—Cobalt's Shipping Mines.

As which price it sold in September of 1902. In 1903, it declined to 116 1/4, went to 109 3/4 in the early months of 1904, but...

Regarding the recent break in Cobalt stocks, Clarence J. McCuaig, who has just returned from a minute inspection of the leading properties in the camp, says...

Regarding the other mines in the camp, Mr. McCuaig added, such as the Laroche, Trethewey, O'Brien, Buffalo, Silver Queen, Foster, McKinnley-Darragh, Kerr Lake, Drummond, Conigas and University...

Within six months the equipment of these mines will be enlarged and improved, and I predict that the return for 1907 for the Cobalt camp will prove it to be one of the greatest.

How Today's Record Price Compares With Previous Prices. (Montreal Gazette.)

The crossing of the 200 mark by Canadian Pacific, and the attainment of a record high price on the local market Saturday afternoon at 201, makes a comparison between present and previous prices of interest.

"HOLIDAY CARD" FROM TREMAINE GARD. I have lately received and opened a splendid assortment of first-class jewelry.

WELL PLEASSED WITH THE TRIP

Premier Tweedie and Atty. Gen. Pugsley Have Returned From Washington.

Premier Tweedie and Attorney-General Pugsley returned yesterday from Washington, where they, with Surveyor-General Sweeney, were in conference with the officials of the United States forestry bureau.

Mr. Tweedie also stated that in all Mr. Pugsley and several other officials will attend the convention in Fredericton which will be held probably during the first week of the present season.

ART IN ST. JOHN An Appreciation of Mr. Sutherland's Fine Group of Paintings.

To the Editor of the Times: Sir,—In Edward Flood's store in Dock street there is a large collection of oil paintings that our citizens should be proud of.

Two or three pictures of the coast of Cornwall and the reminiscence of the land of our home and birth, and recall the days of the past when younger feet trod these shores.

UNFAIR CRITICISM To the Editor of the Times: Sir,—In an editorial in your paper yesterday, under the above heading, I find the following criticism:

It is a fact at present to think that public playgrounds are not so much needed as is claimed. It is a mistake. The most charitable construction that can be put upon such a statement is that the writer did not know what he was writing about.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING

VESSELS BOUND FOR ST. JOHN. Table with columns: Ship Name, Tonnage, Agent, Destination.

MINIATURE ALMANAC. Table with columns: Date, Sun, High, Low, Tides.

REPORTS, DISASTERS, ETC. Highland Light, Mass., Dec. 15.—An unsuccessful attempt was made today to fasten a bomb on the schooner...

MARINE NOTES. The British ship Trinidad, Captain McQuarrie, arrived last Sunday at Boston from Buenos Ayres via Barbados.

DOMINION PORTS. Victoria, B.C., Dec. 15.—84, stmr Jethou, (N.P. Co.) from Seattle, B.C.

BRITISH PORTS. Bristol, Dec. 15.—84, stmr Mountain, Hoger, for St. John, N.B.

FOREIGN PORTS. Boston, Dec. 15.—Ship Trinidad, McQuarrie, from Buenos Ayres via Barbados.

EXPORTS. For Port Chester, N.Y., per stmr Jennie A. Stubbins, 100 tons of coal.

N. Y. STOCK MARKET. Table with columns: Date, Market Name, Price.

WALL STREET. Table with columns: Stock Name, Price.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS. List of small ads.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT. Table with columns: Commodity, Price.

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS. Table with columns: Commodity, Price.

DEATHS. BOWEN—In this city, on 16th inst., Mary Ann, wife of the late Michael A. Bowen, aged 78 years.

Lest You Forget Something In the Hurry Nowadays Allow us to Offer a Few REMINDERS. M. R. A., Limited.

ON THE SECOND FLOOR In the Costume Section you will find Toilet Requisites in large number of varieties, also Paperies and Holiday Tissue Paper Novelties.

HUNDREDS of ART CHINA novelties, Cut Glass pieces, Busts, Statuettes, Fancy Glassware, etc.

PARISIAN NECKWEAR is invariably acceptable, and a great source of comfort to the man who is worried about what to get for a lady friend.

PURSES, HANDBAGS, ETC., in every kind of leather and in all shapes. A collection of New York's most modish styles.

COMFORT CUSHIONS ARE GOOD at all times for gift purposes. We are selling some at special prices this week.

SENSIBLE GIFTS FOR MEN always include Shirts. Nothing pleases the sterner sex more than to receive furnishings of this kind.

CLOTHING IS NOT PROSRY for presentation purposes; quite the opposite. We can supply Fur Coats, Fancy Winter Vests, Boys' Fancy Overcoats, Dress Suits, Smoking Jackets, Dressing Gowns, Bath Robes, etc.

BRUSH & COMB SETS Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Manicuring Sets and other requisites for ladies or gentlemen in Silver, Brass, Ebony and various materials.

FURSHAVE A LASTING VALUE and are therefore prime gifts; no matter if it be but the inexpensive Mongolian Muff and Collar for the baby, or a rich set of Real Mink for mother.

HANDKERCHIEFS NEVER DISAPPOINT a recipient at Christmas; they are always acceptable. We are selling them for the thousands this week.

PICTURES IN ART ROOM. Lovers of pretty pictures will enjoy seeing our large stock for Christmas time.

A COUGH SYRUP that will treat a cold in a satisfactory manner and be soothing, warming, loosening the cough, and contain neither opium nor morphine.

Dr. White's Honey Balm immediately relieves the throat irritation, the tightness across the chest, and makes a quick and perfect cure.

At M. R. A.'s Limited. Home D. Forbes came home from Montreal yesterday. Mrs. N. Hubbard returned to the city last evening.

THE EVENING TIMES.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 18, 1906.

The St. John Evening Times is published at 27 and 29 Canterbury Street, every evening (Sunday excepted) by the St. John Times Printing & Publishing Co., Ltd.

Circulation of The Times.

Week Ending Dec. 15th, 1906.

Table showing circulation figures for Monday through Saturday, with a total of 69,478 and a daily average of 11,579.

A GOOD BILL

The bill relating to strikes and lockouts, which Hon. Mr. Lemieux introduced in parliament yesterday is a long step in the right direction.

BRITISH LUMBER MARKET

Farmwood & Jarling's wood trade circular of Dec. 1st, says of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spruce and pine deals at Liverpool, Birkenhead and Garston.

The import of spruce and pine at these ports from January 1st to December 31st was 40,770 standards, compared with 38,410 in the like period of 1905.

The import of spruce deals at Manchester for the eleven months to December 31st was 69,000 standards, compared with 51,490 and 49,200 respectively for the like periods in 1905 and 1904.

The import of birch logs at Liverpool, Birkenhead and Garston for the eleven months was 386,000 cubic feet, compared with 222,000 feet in the like period of 1905.

The import of birch planks at Liverpool, Birkenhead and Garston for the eleven months was 619,000 cubic feet, compared with 578,000 a year before and 238,500 two years before.

Sales of spruce deals ex-liners from St. John and Halifax are quoted at 28 to 28 2/4 c. i. l., according to specification.

CHILD LABOR

At a season when the thought of the people turns so largely upon what makes for the happiness of children there is a pathetic significance in the statements made last week before the Civic Federation in New York.

"Owen R. Lovejoy, assistant secretary of the national child labor committee, gave the results of an investigation he had made in the anthracite coal fields of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Strauss, who will be the next U. S. secretary of commerce and labor, is optimistic of results. In an address last week he said: "I am sure that nine-tenths of our labor troubles result from misunderstanding."

About half of the states in the American union have inheritance tax laws, and a report shows that in 1902 they yielded an aggregate of over \$7,000,000.

Halifax wins at Ottawa for the present and the Empire steamers must call at Halifax, "the recognized mail port."

Discussing art in St. John, a well known citizen in a note to the Times refers to the work of Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Watson, Mr. Milner and Mr. Wilbur.

The statement that the government is not aware of any treaties that would prevent the exclusion of Norwegian and other vessels from the coasting trade of Canada will lead to a renewal of the agitation presented upon the late meeting of the maritime board of trade.

Yesterday's cables from London indicate a compromise on the education bill, which will make it acceptable to a majority of the lords and commons.

MORRIS WAS TOUCHED The junk shop of Jacob Morris at 27 to 31 Paradise Row was visited by a thief and a quantity of goods stolen.

CONSTITUTIONS GRANTED TO NEW AFRICAN COLONIES London, Dec. 1.—After a debate lasting several hours, and on motion of Winston Spencer Churchill, under-secretary for the colonies, the House of Commons today approved the grant of constitutions to the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies.

Stores open till to tonight. St. John, Dec. 18th, 1906

Overcoat Sale Drawing Larger Crowds Each Day

YESTERDAY WAS ANOTHER BIG OVERCOAT DAY. The people are now fully alive to the great advantage of this Overcoat sale.

Regular \$6.00 to \$20.00 Overcoats now selling at \$4.95, 6.00, 7.50, 8.75, 10.40 and \$15.00.

See our Christmas goods adv. on page 8.

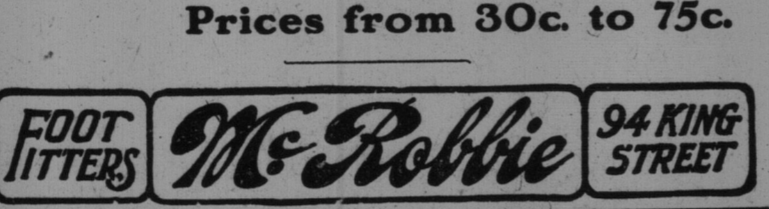
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Baby's Day!

SOFT SOLE BOOTS. Sizes, 1 to 4.

We have just opened up a large shipment of babies' boots, slippers and moosehorns, and we will just say this: such handsome styles have never before been shown in this city.

Prices from 30c. to 75c.



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The safe silverplate to buy is the genuine "1847 Rogers Bros." brand. It has been tried by the test of time.

Tea Spoons per half doz. - \$1.50.

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Sugar Shells, Sugar Tongs, Gravey Ladles,

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IN OUR FATHER'S CARE

The ships glide in at the harbor's mouth, And the wind that sweeps from the sunny South.

The earth is fair in the breezy morn, And the tapers glow and flash.

The ships that sail over the harbor bar Away and sweep to the evening star.

Her husband (angrily)—I was a fool I married you.

Philly young thing (at the play)—I believe this man in front of us is trying to hear what we are saying!

"I've just been to New York," "I hear that New York is wearing the lid."

"The girl I am engaged to," remarked Singshot, "is a beauty. I imagine I can see a halo on her head."

"Oh, of course," rejoined Wedderty, "But shortly after marriage you will find her halo transformed into an expensive bonnet."

Querist—How long have they been married, did you say?

"John, you don't have to hurry to get into the car just because the guard said 'step lively!'"

"I understand," said Tess, "that the men among the Quakers always wear their hats in church."

"How ridiculous!" exclaimed Jess; "as 'any one could be interested in men's hats!'"

TO ARBITRATE LABOR DISPUTES Government Proposes Legislation to Prevent Strikes and Lock Outs—Measure Will Apply Only to Public Utilities

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—A bill to provide for the official inspection of barges was introduced in the house by Mr. Laurence, of Colchester (N. S.).

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, minister of labor, introduced a bill to aid in the prevention and settlement of strikes and lockouts in coal mines and industries connected with public utilities.

The bill is the result of the investigation into the Lethbridge strike. The existing labor legislation consisted of two acts, one adopted in 1900, known as the Conciliation Act, which was a voluntary arrangement to have a matter in dispute arbitrated.

If the offer of conciliation in labor disputes has no effect then the minister of labor steps in and appoints arbitrators. One nominated by each side and the third elected by the other two.

Pending investigations under the new act the strike or lockout will have to cease in every case under penalty. The award will be made public as soon as made by the arbitrators but will not be enforceable by any necessary law.

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There are only a few more days left to do your shopping. Fancy Rockers, Morris Chairs, Music Cabinets, Parlor Cabinets, Shaving Sets, Willow Rockers, Ladies' Secretaries, Bookcases, Combination Bookcases and Secretaries, Buffets, Sideboards, Dining Chairs, Children's High and Low Chairs, Children's Rockers, Top Sets, Etc.

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FOR CHRISTMAS. Our stock is filled with choice collections of all the LATEST NOVELTIES as well as all the staple lines of JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, ETC., that are called for at this season.

FERGUSON & PAGE, Diamond Dealers, Jewelers, etc., 41 King Street.

BULBS FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN. P. E. CAMPBELL, Seedsman and Grower, 50-51 1/2 Germain St. Tel. 333. Greenhouses 24 Rothesay.

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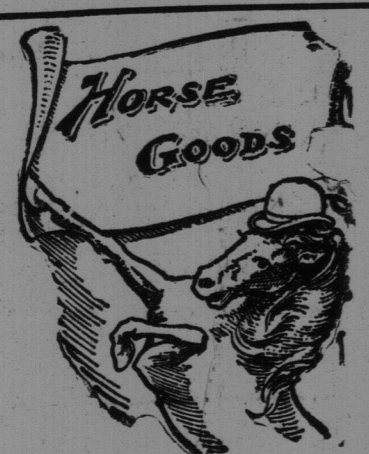
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E. W. PATTERSON, 29 City Road.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

Any captious critic who may be led to say that St. John is not a centre of art and culture would have received a severe rebuff had he been in the Opera House last evening. The attraction was an exhibition of pictures pure and simple, and the audience which gathered to see them was the largest of the season.

The true that the most interesting pictures exhibited were those which showed how Mr. Joseph Gans and Mr. Battling Nelson settled a little dispute as to which was the more proficient in the nearly art which should be permitted to use the title lightweight champion of the world.

Incidentally these two gentlemen were incited to combat for a large collection of real money. Nevertheless the exhibition last evening was but a picture show; the pictures were a high development of art, ergo those who saw the pictures were art patrons.

And I never knew before that St. John had so many. Every class and creed was represented from the banker (of which species several were noticed in the audience) to the day laborer, and there were probably sixty ladies in attendance.

The main feature however was the Gans-Nelson fight, but it was robbed of all its brutality. One could not see the effect of the vicious blows, the bruised or battered faces, the awful punishment both men received, but one could and did see two splendid specimens of the physical man, trained to the hour and fighting as if their lives depended on it.

All of the fight was not shown, but ten of the best rounds were selected and they furnished a first rate idea of the contest. First views of the big arena at Goldfield were shown; Referee Siler, James J. Jeffries and other celebrities were introduced and then the boxes entered.

Several women were noticed at the ring side. Gans evidently had the sympathy of the spectators, for he got the better reception when he appeared. When the man settled down to business it was noticed that Nelson was the aggressor throughout, the colored man continually breaking ground before the onslaughts of his opponent. In the pictures both men show wonderful quickness. Gans several times working out of tight positions and the referee waving Nelson from the ring as he gave the decision to Gans. It is an especially good picture show and well worth patronage.

The Robinson Opera Company arrived in the city this morning, and will open at the Opera House commencing Monday, Dec. 24 with the most versatile actor at present in the American stage. Some eighteen years ago, Mr. Henderson, then a boy of fifteen, made his first appearance in Wiggins & Hankin's minstrel. While in the organization his talent became quite apparent and a year later he was engaged to play Sir Marmaduke in Baldwin's first baby Pinafore Company. His next engagement was with Little Company, in 'Carmen' up to date, in which he made a record of \$100,000.

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who need no recommendation to theatre goers. Indications point to big business at the old York.

The annual meeting of the Opera House directors will not be held until February 10th. Usually it has been held in January, but this season it will be a month later. The appointment of a manager to succeed the late J. P. Dockrill will be the principal matter of business, and it is probable that Brady Anderson, who has ably managed the house since Mr. Dockrill's death, will be confirmed in this position.

CAN YOU BEAT IT? Local lovers of the SENSATIONAL DRAMMER of "Black Sam" and down and out variety would have experienced the delight of the seventh heaven if they had been in Gloucester, Mass., last week. A repertoire company at the Union Hill Theatre was handing it out to its patrons right from the start. This is how the week's repertoire read in a Gloucester paper:

Monday—"The Roof Garden Murder." Tuesday—"Wiped Out By Blood." Wednesday—"A Woman Scorned." Thursday—"A Warning to Women." Friday—"Tracy, the Outlaw." Saturday—"The Great Railroad Hold."

For real classic drama, pregnant with moral tone and culture, this collection is certainly choice.

There has been considerable talk in local theatrical circles the past week about the closing of the Ellis Stock Company in Amherst and the breaking up of the Nanny-Rennie Company in Fredericton. The members of the Ellis Company draw a fine distinction when they say they did not "strand," but they did close. In their case it was the wise policy to close while they had enough money in their pockets to get home, for to attempt to continue their tour as business had been with their stranding but a question of days. In this case the fault was with the promoter.

Mr. Henderson, who in days of yore has done much to amuse the residents of his native city. He thought he could do a profitable business in his own town and the people did not agree with him. His company was by no means as good as it might have been and appeared in its selection. Whether the fault was Mr. Nanny's or not, I am unprepared to say, but certainly the punishment fell on those who witnessed a performance and the troupe while here and then read Mr. Nanny's statement to a local paper.

MUNDAY KNIGHT. ABOUT JACK HENDERSON.

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In the police court yesterday afternoon another liquor case came up for hearing. Robert Garnett, of 11 King square was charged with having two dozens to his bar-room, one leading into his pool room. After the hearing on testimony, the case was adjourned till 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

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in which show he played the part of "Nockie" sixteen hundred times. This was followed by an engagement of five years with the Thompson Opera Co., after which he was engaged with Lillian Russell for the famous first production of "Girofle Girofle," in America. When the famous Boston Lyric Opera Co. went to the Orient, he was engaged to play the leading comedy and after his return played in Savage's "King Dodo" for a season and made one of his greatest successes. For two years following he was starred in Grant's, famous production of "Wizard of the Nile" in which he created a sensation. His later engagements were with the "Isle of Champagne" and Kirk La Shelle's "Princess Chiu." His appearance here with the Robinson Opera Co., is a pleasant expectation for the theatre goers of the city.

PATTI'S PROUDEST HOUR. Mme. Patti was once asked to relate her proudest experience. "For a great and unexpected honor," she said, "I have experienced nothing that has touched me deeper than a complimentary note by the Prince of Wales (now King Edward) at a dinner given in honor of the Duke of York and the Princess May by Alfred Hitchcock. During the ceremonies the Prince of Wales rose and proposed the health of his 'old and valued friend, Mme. Patti.' He made a pretty speech, in which he said that he had first seen and heard me in Philadelphia in 1860, when I sang in 'Martha,' and that since then his own attendance at what he called my victories in the realm of song, had been among his most pleasant recollections. He recalled the fact that his wife had held up little Prince George (now Prince of Wales) and bade him kiss me, so that in after life he might say he had kissed the famous Mme. Patti. And then the whole company of royalty, nobility and men of genius rose and cheered me, and drank my health."

THE PONY BALLET. The Pony Ballet has risen to the dignity of a biography which is being published. The original dancers, who were sixteen when they were trained in London, their first New York appearance, having been made in 1899 at the New York Theatre. While the dancers were rehearsing on the New York stage, some one said, on account of the diminutiveness of the dancers, that they looked like a lot of ponies; hence the name which has been a golden title to them. Of the original Pony Ballet now appearing in 'The Blue Moon' there are four that came over with the first lot from England. Among these is Beatrice Siddell, who is the spokeswoman of the dancers in 'The Blue Moon' and her appearance in Gotham became homesick and returned to London. But they decided later to return to this side, where they have remained for six years thus far. These dancers have appeared before all the crowned heads of Europe.

MORE POWER TO THEM. Brooklyn is engaged in a fight against indecent posters of burlesque, and those who are fighting this undoubted evil find the Brooklyn courts ready to aid them in this crusade. It is said the agitation may result in a permanent censor of bill-posters being appointed from the police department, who shall pass upon all advertisements designed for display in Brooklyn before they are put on the boards. The posters objected to are described by the pastors and others who made the complaints as lewd, suggestive and calculated to deprave the minds of those viewing them, particularly children.

(St. John has so far been particularly free from the 'indecent poster nuisance' as well as the indecent show. For this much credit is due to the local theatre managers—Dramatic Ed.)

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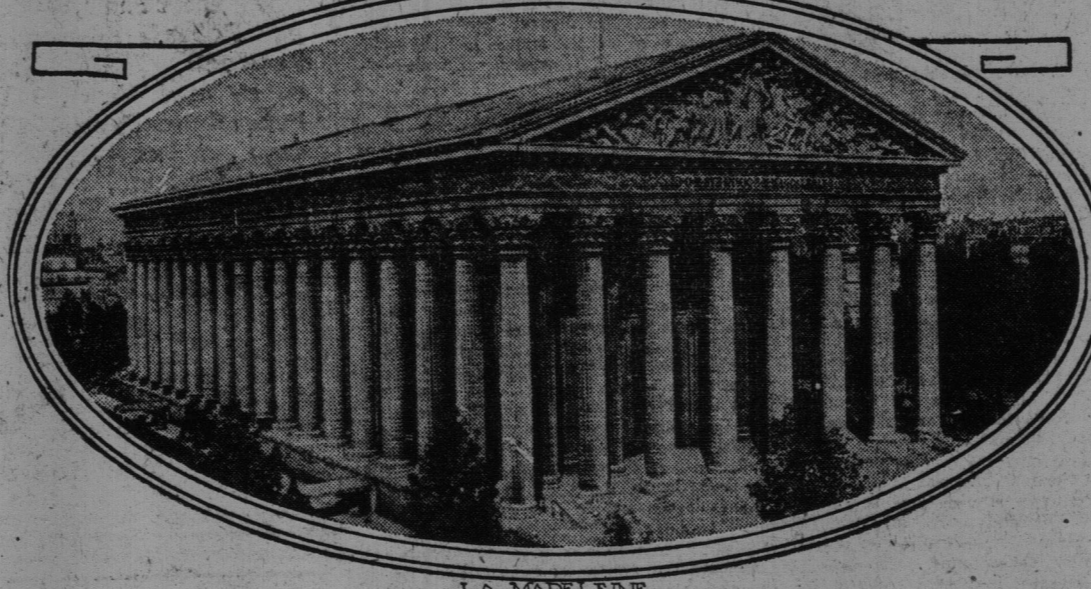
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VETERAN OF RUSH FOR WESTERN GOLD

John Sanborn, Who Made His Fortune in Western Gold Fields in 1852, Still Lives.

(New York Herald)

John Sanborn, of Laconia, N. H., is one of the sons of the Granite State who saw the wild life of the California coast in "the days of gold." Though not quite a "forty-niner" he is nearly so, and many of the tales he tells of his experiences are as thrilling as fiction.

Mr. Sanborn was born in London, N. H., July 17, 1827, and was brought up on a farm. In 1852 he caught the gold fever and left home to seek his fortune on the Pacific coast. He joined a party which sailed from New York in a steamer of the Nicaragua route. The journey across Nicaragua was made on horseback and by trail over river boats on rivers and lakes.

On account of the week of the steamer North America with which the party was to connect at the Pacific coast, they had to lay over forty days waiting the arrival of another steamer from San Francisco. Many of the party became sick and had to be conveyed to the Pacific coast.

This boat could not take all, so they were drawn for places. The steamer was obliged to lay a long distance off shore, and the passengers were conveyed out to her in boats. When Mr. Sanborn got to the steamer's side he was told his number was so high that he was deferred from passage. Spurred on by the dread of remaining forty days more in the deadly climate ashore, he approached the side of the steamer at another point, and by throwing the end of a hammock, which he carried wound round his carpet bag, to some of the passengers on deck he was pulled on board by them unobserved by the officers of the ship.

From San Francisco Mr. Sanborn went to Oregon City, Clatsop county, where he made his headquarters for the next four years, prospecting for gold.

During this time he did not strike it rich. In 1850 he visited his New Hampshire home, remaining six months. In eight months from leaving California he was back there again.

On the second trip to the Pacific coast he was in the terrible railroad accident on the Panama Railroad in which 90 were killed and 150 injured. Mr. Sanborn being among the latter.

This time Mr. Sanborn was in California about two and a half years and had better success. After visiting his parents in London he went back to California for a third time. Taking up a claim on Walker's River, near Esmeralda, he became sick from drinking alkali water and was forced to return to San Francisco in charge of Dr. O. P. Warren, of Pittsfield, N. H. He was ill for several weeks.

Next, going to Oregon City, he resumed his hunt for gold. This time fortune favored him. After a few years, having taken a moderate fortune from the ground he sold his claim and in 1864 came to Laconia, where he has ever since lived. He was married in that year to Miss Maria Thorndike, of Pittsfield, N. H., and has one son, Wilson J. Sanborn, of Boston.

shipment in December is expected to be smaller than this. Should only \$1,000,000 of gold be sent to Brazil in December we shall apparently receive on balance about \$1,000,000 from abroad, unless there is a demand from other quarters. As regards Argentina, no demand is expected until January. Russia is also understood to be indisposed to disturb the London market, and is apparently willing to leave its balance here until the New Year, while the Indian Government is believed to have made arrangements by which it will be able to avoid re-marketing gold in the Bank of England. Hence, so far as the foreign demand is concerned, the outlook is distinctly encouraging.

We have, however, omitted to mention one direction about which there is some uncertainty. Money in New York this week has been fairly plentiful, but during December it is expected to be greatly wanted, and the New York banks will apparently have considerable difficulty in maintaining their reserves at the legal minimum. Unless the Secretary of the Treasury sets free an additional amount of cash, pressure for money in New York may cause exchange again to fall to gold point, and may bring renewed shipments. Mr. Shaw has, however, displayed a thorough grasp of the situation, and is certain that if New York withdraws gold from London at the present time international trade will be seriously disturbed.

Apart from New York, the conditions are favorable for the import of gold on balance by London during December. The demand for the province will, however, be a heavy one. The high rates for money in London have induced provincial bankers to send all the spare money they possess to be employed in the London market, and inasmuch as they always need a large amount of cash to meet the demands upon them in December, the demand for the withdrawal of some \$4,000,000 of cash for the province will, therefore, be a heavy one. The bank's reserve would not be reduced beneath \$20,000,000 next month, unless the demand for gold for foreign accounts proves to be much greater than now appears to be probable. It is, of course, not wise to shout until one is out of the wood, but the indications are certainly to the Bank of England maintaining its reserves during December at a figure which will compare not unfavorably with that of last year. At the end of December, 1905, its reserve fell to \$17,000,000, owing to the combined effect of the usual withdrawals of cash for the country, the export of gold to South America, and the earmarking of gold for India.

But although the situation so far as December is concerned has improved, we must look forward to relatively high rates for money well into the New Year. In the first place it should be realized that the delay in taking gold when it is needed merely means that the amount ultimately to be taken will be the larger. Consequently, when cash returns from the country in January to the extent of \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000, we may find that the usual addition to the reserve is lacking, owing to heavy withdrawals of gold for export. Brazil in January is expected to take an additional amount. Argentina will probably need a considerable sum, and the demand for money in the Far East, which is always strongest in January, may necessitate either the shipment of gold to India or the earmarking of a large amount for the Indian Government. And, lastly, we have the possibility that the Russian government may desire to take a portion of the money now lying to her credit in London.

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A VIGOROUS PROTEST BY CARDINAL GIBBONS

Declares France has Treated Her Noblest Citizens with Injustice in Her Church Laws, and Asserts that the Government is Actuated by Hatred of Religion.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—"The American public does not understand the present crisis in France," said Cardinal Gibbons when asked for his opinion on the French situation. "I am getting to be an old man now and I think I know my countrymen. They love fair play; they love liberty; they love to see humane dealings of man with man. And the late years have shown how cordially they hate injustice, tyranny and inhumanity. And yet, France has treated her noblest citizens with injustice and inhumanity, and America, who has sympathy for the oppressed of all nations, has raised no protest nor uttered a word of sympathy. "If I believed that my countrymen would knowingly bear a great and beneficent organization unjustly deprived of its property and the means of continued usefulness, would knowingly see tens of thousands of honest and noble women robbed of their just income and means of support; would knowingly see hundreds of people brutally wounded in what they hold dearest and most sacred; would knowingly see a majority in the chambers unjustly deprived of their rights of millions of their countrymen in the name of liberty; would knowingly see tens of thousands of men and women, who happen to be priests and nuns, and who of loving God and serving their neighbors, I say: if my countrymen can see and recognize all this injustice and tyranny and cruelty, and refuse genuine sympathy to those who suffer by them, because of their religious belief, then I will leave life without that faith in American love of justice and liberty and humanity which have been my country and support and hope during a long career. "But the American people have not had these things just lately before them. Our own press has been to a considerable extent the reflex of the Parisian anti-clerical press. Most people over here have little conception of the French anti-clericalism. They look on the leaders of this party as enlightened statesmen, seeking to preserve the republic from the attacks of an aggressive episcopate. "There have been honest and sincere lovers of republican government among anti-clericals, I admit; but the majority of them have far less love of the republic than they have hatred of religion. I am weighing my words and I say with deliberate conviction that the leaders of the present French government are actuated by nothing less than hatred of religion. "We have no spirit akin to theirs in this country. We have here much indifference to religion, but we have no body of men, no great party, that makes it a chief aim to weaken the power of religion and, if possible, utterly to destroy it out of the land. "But in France the Jacobin party is not dead. Their spirit is as living today as it was in the last decade of the 18th century; they hate God, they hate Christ, they hate his religion as much as ever their fathers hated them. But they have learned a more prudent and measured method of attack. They are almost scientific in the means they take to suppress Christianity. And, yet, the utterances of such men are received as unassailable by many Americans as would be a discourse by Mr. Cleveland, or Mr. Roosevelt, or Mr. Taft, men who have had powerful influence that religion has in promoting the welfare of the country. "For some reason the sentiments of the anti-clericals are not reproduced by our papers. But let a French statesman utter counsels of moderation and sentiments of liberty when he wishes to check his followers and prevent them from following his plans by too great haste and zeal, then his fair words are spread before the eyes of our people. They are taken as the expression of wisdom and fair play. "They do not, of course, want bloodshed, but the spirit of hatred exists in them just as strongly. In order to understand the present situation it must be borne in mind that before the French revolution all churches, all ecclesiastical lands and properties, belonged to the church by as just a title as property is owned in our own country by the Catholics, Methodists, or any other religious denomination. At the revolution all buildings, landed properties, funds, etc., were confiscated by the revolutionary government. The church was soon recognized, and the constituent assembly publicly and solemnly pledged itself to render some sort of justice to the church by giving for the support of the clergy and the maintenance of worship an annual budget. This amounted to a little more than 1 per cent on the values appropriated by the state. "The present conflict dates back to the year 1801, when a large number of religious houses were closed by order of the government and their occupants dispersed and forced to seek religious liberty in the land of the stranger. From that time scarcely a year has passed without some annoyance to the church—a series of petty acts of discrimination that were bound in the long run to call for a protest. "The protest came in the form of a personal letter from Pope Leo XIII. to President Grey in May, 1883, which was answered courteously enough indeed, but the answer was a mere waste of time and paper so far as results were concerned. In spite of the pontiff's reasonable objections the injurious laws were passed. As far as possible God and religion were banished from the schools and hospitals, the oath deprived of its religious character and denied impressed into the military service. "Next, in 1901, the law of associations was passed; a law which, as interpreted and executed by Combes caused untold misery to thousands. By it, the schools in charge of religious bodies were forced out of existence. The members of the different religious congregations, not only male, but female as well, were sent forth, each out upon the world and obliged either to take out an existence as best they could in their own native France or to go into exile. "Many of these were old men or old women who had spent a lifetime within the convent walls and were now driven out, no longer able to begin a new career, and with no means of support. Finally, in December, 1905, the concordat was dissolved and separation of church and state proclaimed. "We say it not in that heat of passion, not as partisans, but simply as lovers of justice. What should we think if our own government had seized on the firms'

POSTMASTER GENERAL TELLS IN PARLIAMENT OF THE EMPRESS' DELAY

He Admits That Liverpool Could be Reached Much Sooner if the Big Liner Could Cut Out the Halifax Call—Government However is Committed to the Nova Scotia Port.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—There were a large number of questions answered at today's sitting of the house. Sir Frederick Borden said that since June 30, 1904, to Oct. 31, 1906, there was expended on the Halifax naval and military status \$887,488 and on Esquimaux, \$101,200. Hon. Mr. Fisher said that in regard to the cattle embargo the imperial authorities point out that the importation of Canadian cattle into Great Britain was a menace to the health of that country. Canada replied that there was no disease in the cattle and that the embargo was a menace could not exist. Canada also protested against the unjust and unfair regulation that was imposed on the cattle. The government would not express an opinion as to the possibility of its removal. Sir Frederick Borden, in answer to a question, said that the government had inquired into the death of Trooper Armstrong of the 7th Hussars at La Prairie camp in 1905. The minister of justice decided that there was no liability of any kind. Hon. Mr. Patterson said that the government was not aware of any strike now in force, which prevented the exportation of the vessels of the following countries from the coast of Canada: Germany, Austria-Hungary, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, Netherlands, Denmark, Argentine Republic and Italy. Mr. Patterson also stated that increase in imports of British cottons in 1905 over 1897 was 112.9 per cent, in British woolens 89.9 per cent. The increase of British cottons between 1897 and 1905 as compared with 1888 to 1890 was \$12,338,382. The increase in British woolens for the same years was \$1,654,468. There was an increase of 17 per cent in the imports of British woolens for 1905 and 1906 as compared with 1903 and 1904. Dr. Daniel was informed by Mr. Lemieux that the I. O. R. train was two hours and ten minutes late on Nov. 30 and the express of Ireland on its way from St. John to Halifax was detained at the latter place on that account. The mails for England sent by the I. O. R. to Halifax. The English mails are closed at Montreal at 10.30 a. m. If the mails were despatched by C. P. R. at 7.25 p. m. a supplementary mail by C. P. R. could be sent by the 7.25 p. m. C. P. R. train if the C. P. R. steamers would wait the arrival of this train at Halifax, the same as the Allan line steamers now do. A supplementary mail now closes at Montreal at 6 p. m. for dispatch via New York by Cunard line steamers leaving New York on Saturdays. Therefore there would be no advantage in so far as time is concerned in sending a supplementary mail by the C. P. R. at 7.25 p. m. from Montreal for Halifax. If the English mail had left Montreal on Friday night, 23rd, by C. P. R. and had been taken on board the Empress of Ireland at St. John and that steamer had direct Liverpool part of a day would have been saved. The intention of the government was to continue the Empress' mail route, but for the purpose of commencing with the contract called for the mails to be landed at and dispatched from that port. Hon. Mr. Emmerson told Mr. Crockett that M. L. Tracey was inspector of carriages on the T. G. R. at \$85 per month. C. M. McCooly was air brake inspector at \$91 a month; D. White was general car inspector at \$100 a month. The two first positions were created in 1903 and the latter in 1900. M. C. Lockhart was traveling inspector of fuel. In reply to Mr. Oliver in reply to Mr. Blair said that the government was not aware that Judge Dugas was ill until Melnes arrived. Commissioner Melnes was here for the purpose of conferring with the government on Yukon affairs. Dugas, Burns, Brown, Laliberte were taking leave absence which had accumulated for each. Their stipends would be deducted for any longer time than that. Hon. Mr. Emmerson informed Mr. Ames that the Intercolonial Railway did not purchase supplies of any kind from the New Brunswick Supply Company. In reply to Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Brodie said that 119 vessels took out licenses under the motor vessels during the year ended June 30 last. The gross amount collected was \$14,368. There was collected in fines during the year for violation of the Canadian fishery laws, \$3,700. E. M. MacDonald (Victoria) will move for all correspondence in connection with the proposed system of annuities for employees on the I. O. R. Mr. Crockett has given notice of a question as to what lands were purchased for the National Park at the time of the purchase of the National Park at Montreal, and new machinery, etc., for work shops. Mr. Borden has given notice of a resolution proposing a committee to inquire into the management and operation of government railways.

Stores open evenings till 10 o'clock. St. John, December 18th, 1906.

These Are Gifts That Men and Boys Appreciate. You will have no trouble in making a selection of very useful and most acceptable and appropriate gifts for men and boys from the following list. Remember a Dollar Goes Further Here. Read a Partial List of Useful, Sensible Gifts Shown Here: Men's Overcoats, \$4.95 to \$24.00; Men's Suits, 3.50 to 8.75; Men's Ties, 3.95 to 20.00; Men's Hats, 1.25 to 4.50; Boys' Overcoats, 3.75 to 13.50; Boys' Suits, 1.85 to 5.50; Boys' Short Pants, 4.5c to 1.75; Bath Robes, 5.50 to 6.50; Raincoats, 7.50 to 16.50; Fancy Wash Vests, 1.25 to 3.00; Fancy Knitted Vests, 2.00 to 3.00; Cardigan Jackets, 75c to 2.50; Men's Sweaters, 75c to 2.50; Men's Hats, 65c to 4.50; Cuff Buttons, 25c up. Trunks, \$1.45 to \$10.00; Suit Cases, 1.50 to 10.00; Mufflers, made up, 25c to 1.50; English Squares, 65c to 1.50; Earl Grey Mufflers, 1.25; Holiday Ties, 15c to 75c; Toques for Boys or Girls, 20c to 50c; Wool Gloves, 35c to 2.00; Men's Lined Gloves, 75c to 3.00; Colored Shirts, 50c to 1.50; White Shirts, 50c to 1.50; Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c to 50c; Silk Fancy Border, 50c up; Boys' Sweaters, 50c to 1.85; Caps, 25c to 1.50; Umbrellas, 50c to 5.00. COLLARS, CUFFS, UNDERWEAR, BRACES, ARMLETS, HOSE, ETC. A Fancy Box Free With Each Gift Purchase. J. N. HARVEY, 199-207 Union Street, Opera House Block.

REV. MR. BOSWORTH MAKES HIS ANSWER TO A CRITIC

Newspaper Criticism Taken up by Grand Ligne Missionary and Rev. D. Hutchinson -- The Attack Upon the Mission Sorel, Quebec -- A Reference to the Papp Zouaves.

(The Telegraph.) There was only a fair audience in the school room of Leinster street church Monday when Rev. E. Bosworth lectured on the work of the Grand Ligne mission to the French Catholics of Quebec. At the conclusion of the lecture, Rev. W. Camp, introduced by the pastor, Rev. W. Camp, said he had been accused in one of yesterday morning's papers of making an attack on the Roman Catholic church. Rev. D. Hutchinson, of Main street church, who was in the audience, interjected at this point, "Yes, and I hope you'll repeat it." Rev. Mr. Bosworth went on to assert the charge was false. He claimed that he had simply made quotations from Romanist sources. After a few minutes of the history of the rise and progress of the mission for the evangelization of the Canadian French, he told the Baptists came to take over the management of the Grand Ligne mission and school. The early missionaries, the lecturer said, were subjected to great persecution but their cause gained strength. It was owing to their efforts, he said, that in 1900 the teaching of English was made compulsory in the public schools. The lecturer said that in outlining the work conducted in the Protestant school at Grand Ligne. Mr. Bosworth had resumed his seat when Rev. Mr. Hutchinson rose to his feet and said, "The article in a morning paper this morning would give the impression that there is no persecution in this case at all. Now, sir, would you tell us how we came to be expelled from the city of Sorel?" Rev. Mr. Bosworth again rose and said, "Some years ago we placed a missionary house in the city of Sorel, a large double house at the corner of the park. A few weeks later the priest told the people these missionaries ought to be run out of town. The outcome of it was they stormed the house and threw out the missionaries. I myself had in my hand a stone weighing five pounds which was thrown through the window. One of our missionaries was seated in the public park one day when first one man stopped and then another to talk and soon there was quite a discussion going on over religion. The missionary left the scene but was arrested next day charged with creating a disturbance in a public place. He was brought before the magistrate and fined \$5 and although we stood ready to double any bail bond that might be demanded the man was thrown into prison. "Later on the same priest who had incited the first attack told the people the missionaries ought to be hung. The mayor and the chief of police of Sorel waited on them and after telling them that they had received anonymous letters threatening the missionaries, implored them to leave, declaring their inability to protect them from violence. The missionaries refused to do the next step taken by the people was to boycott the forty-two converts they had made in seven years. The outcome of it was that the converts and missionaries were expelled from Sorel. "Why sir," continued Mr. Bosworth, "I was one of several in Quebec who were guarded by the police line, seventeen young fellows while a mob of several thousand people threatened our lives, and for what? Because we dared to hold a prayer meeting under the Union Jack. And that's the sort of thing that paper is pleading for and tells us we must not open our mouths against." Mr. Bosworth went on to assert that the Pope has an army in this country.

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Mrs. Ruth Avard. Sackville, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Ruth Avard, an esteemed resident of Point de Bute, passed away on Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Rufus Christie, River Street. She was 72 years of age. She was married to the late Mr. Avard, who died in 1898. She was a devoted wife and mother. She was a member of the Methodist church and was very active in its work. She was also a member of the Sackville Club and the Sackville Ladies' Aid Society. Her husband, George Avard, predeceased her some years ago. Mrs. Avard was a woman of rare Christian character, a consistent member of the Methodist church, and much respected and esteemed for her sterling qualities. Her maiden name was Ruth Dobson. The funeral takes place today; the body will be brought to Point de Bute for interment. A BANQUET FOR HON. MR. EMMERSON. A banquet is to be tendered Hon. H. R. Emmerson here on the evening of Dec. 27. This was decided on at a meeting of the Liberal executive held Monday in the office of the secretary, Heber S. Keith. The meeting discussed the arrangements for the proposed dinner and agreed that it should be held either in the Union Club or the Royal hotel. Committees were appointed to look after various matters in connection with it, and Mayor Sears was appointed chairman of the central committee. In reference to the announcement in Monday's Telegraph that an organizer for New Brunswick was soon to be appointed, it was said yesterday that A. B. Copp, M. P. for Westmorland, has practically been chosen. Dr. G. R. Parkin expects to sail from Liverpool to St. John direct by the steamer Empress of Britain on the 28th inst. His stay here will be very short, as his trip is for the purpose of visiting the chief educational centres on this side in connection with Rhodes scholarship matters.

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- Golf Jackets and Sweaters, \$1.25 to \$2.25
- Shirt Waists 50c. up
- Shirts at all prices.
- Dress Goods, 50c. to \$1.10 yard.
- Men's and Boys' Furnishings.
- Fancy Armlets, 10c. to 25c.
- Bagette Shirts, 50c. to \$1.25.

FOR THE CHILDREN:

- Stuffed Toys, 50c. to \$1.50.
- Gloves, (fined) 75c. to \$2.00.
- Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c. to 75c.
- Linters Handkerchiefs, 10c. to 50c.
- Suspenders, 25c. to 50c.
- Men's and Boys' Overcoats.
- Men's and Boys' Suits.
- Dolls, 15c. to 50c.
- Games, 5c. up.
- Toy Trucks, 5c. to 25c.
- Building Blocks, 10c. up.
- Work Boxes, 25c. to 50c.
- Cups and Saucers, 25c., 50c., and 75c.
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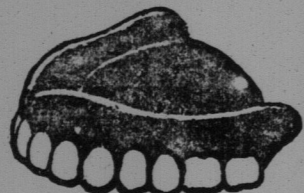
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To Advertisers.

During the week of Dec. 17, advertisers are requested to hand in advertising changes the day before. We trust that patrons will co-operate with us in handling the rush of Christmas copy.

THIS EVENING

Court La Tour, I. O. F., meets at 8 o'clock.
Gans-Nelson fight moving pictures at the Opera House.
Band and skating at Victoria Rink.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST—driving northerly winds, becoming cooler. Wednesday, fair and cool. STORMS—The last storm passed on the Middle Atlantic Coast, yesterday has moved quickly out to sea and will not greatly affect the Maritime Provinces. Weather has turned milder again in the west. Sable Is. land, northeast wind, milder, cloudy. Point Lepreau, north wind, 12 miles at 11 a. m.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

Highest Temperature during last 24 hours 23. Lowest Temperature during last 24 hours 12. Temperature at Noon 13. Humidity at Noon 82. Barometer Readings at Noon (sea level and 2 feet high), 30 inches. Wind at Noon Direction, N. Velocity, 20 miles per hour. Clear. Sunrise, 8:05; sunset, 4:45. Highest temperature, 25; lowest, 15. Weather clear.
D. L. HUYCHESON, Director.

LATE LOCALS

T. M. Nevin, superintendent of the Dominion steamships, will entertain a number of friends at dinner on the steamer Casagrande this evening at six o'clock.

Mr. Hildebrand, the engineer who is inspecting the Suspension bridge, expects to finish his work in about two days. The New York expert says that the bridge is in a fine state of preservation and he could find no flaw in it.

The regular monthly meeting of Court La Tour, I. O. F., will be held this evening at eight o'clock, in Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street. The election of officers for the ensuing term will be held, and a presentation made to E. R. Chapman, who is soon to leave for the west where he will reside. Members of absent courts are invited to attend.

Miss Elizabeth McCarthy, of Sydney street, met with a painful accident on Sunday evening last and one which will confine her to the house for some time. Miss McCarthy was walking along Waterloo street, and when nearing Peters street she slipped on the icy side-walk and fell, breaking a bone in her wrist and injuring her face badly. Miss McCarthy was accompanied by a lady, who assisted her home.

Police Officers Wern and Hughes were yesterday suspended for three days, as the outcome of an incident of last Sunday night. They found the door of Jackson's store, on South Market wharf, unfastened. In the course of duty they entered the place but were arrested because some cans of sardines, which they placed in the Water Street lock-up. They claim the locks were open when they arrived. The case is being handled by Chief Clark, as already stated, suspended the men for three days. Information was had by Police Sergeant Baxter.

WERE INVITED TO WHITE HOUSE

Hon. F. J. Sweeney arrived in the city at noon today from Washington, and passed through to Moncton. The surveyor general stated to a Times man that he had enjoyed the trip and was greatly taken with the up-to-date nature of the forestry system there. He said that at the instance of the forestry bureau, he was present at the convention at Frederick. Mr. Sweeney spoke highly of Mr. Pinchot and also of his assistant, Oliver Howard. While at Washington the surveyor general heard Congressman Reynon make a great speech on the question of the Japanese children being allowed to enter the schools of California. He also heard President Roosevelt, and an invitation had been extended to the premier, the attorney general and the surveyor general to visit the White House on Saturday, but they were unable to do so. The surveyor general was the president at the new Willard Hotel, where President Roosevelt has a suite of rooms.

GUESS WHO THE LUCKY MAN IS

One of the most prominent ship brokers of this city will sail on the steamship Canopic from Boston on the 12th proximo, on an extended trip to the Mediterranean, Continezt, and also the United Kingdom. The Canopic will first touch at the Azores, will then proceed to Gibraltar where at day or two will be seen, and thence to Genoa. The ship broker will then visit Rome, Venice, and also spend a few days in Monte Carlo. He will then visit the south of France, when the pleasure trip will end. He will next proceed to London, spend about a week there, and after visiting Liverpool, Glasgow and the other large cities, will sail for home, probably on one of the C. P. R. Empress boats to London.

During his voyage over he will complete the compilation of a very interesting book which will be invaluable to all who are interested in shipping. The title of the book will be "The Decline of the Wooden Ship." All will join in wishing him a very pleasant voyage, and a profitable business trip on his arrival at London.

WINTER PORT NOTES

C. P. R. steamship Montreal, Captain Hodder, sailed from Bristol last Sunday for this port direct.

Allen line steamer Tunisian, Captain Brass, arrived at Liverpool from St. John, N. B., last Sunday.

Donaldson liner Lakonia is about due from Glasgow. Steamship Manchester Importer is due to arrive tonight or tomorrow from Montreal.

Furness steamship Halifax City, Captain Audred, will sail tonight or tomorrow morning for London via Halifax.

The South Africa steamship Wyandotte, Captain Richards, arrived at New York last Saturday from Brasel. The steamer is coming here to load for Cape Town and other South African ports. James E. Sayre passed through the city today en route to Sackville. J. Gardner Taylor came in on the Montreal today.

A NEW CLUB ORGANIZED

New Sporting Club Organized in North End Last Night—Will Boom Amateur Sport.

A new sporting organization is being formed in the north end and judging from the tone of a meeting held last evening the undertaking should be a success and is deserving of the hearty support of the citizens. The meeting last evening was presided over by Walter Jones, vice C. Seely as secretary. There was some discussion as to the name that they should adopt, but this question was allowed to lie over until a later meeting. The election of officers resulted in the following being chosen: W. H. White, honorary president; C. Seely, president; W. Jones, secretary-treasurer; Dr. W. F. Roberts, W. H. White, H. Rain, A. Roberts, J. Godham, F. Kenwood, and R. Finley, executive committee.

The club will go in for all many sports, along the lines of the Marchions. They will have a hockey team, football team, etc., and as they have plenty of good material to choose from they should make it interesting for some of the other organizations.

Membership is not limited to north end residents only, but young men from any portion of the city are eligible.

Arrangements are now being made for the securing of a hall for the purpose of holding meetings, etc.

The club will no doubt meet with the support it deserves and will help to promote a greater interest in good clean healthy sport throughout the city.

BIG FORTUNE FOR NORTH END FAMILY

Mrs. Black Will Probably Receive Share of New York Millionaire's Estate.

There was a rumor about Indian town this morning that Mrs. Black of north end had received a large amount of money, and enquiry confirmed the truth of the report.

It appears that some time ago a Mr. White of New York died and left a large amount of money to his family and a number of charities. The valuation of it being several millions of dollars. The deceased multi-millionaire had no family and immediately his relatives began to spring up like a flock of geese.

Mrs. Black's maiden name was White, and she was a cousin of the deceased. Last summer a Mr. White of Boston died and his wife came to this city and informed Mrs. Black of the great amount of money that had been left, and that time a Boston lawyer has been working in their interests, and anticipated so difficultly in getting a large amount of money for his clients.

Mrs. Black's children are: T. A. Black, barber on Main street; B. Black, barber on Main street; South Block; George Black, of Chicago; Mrs. W'oon, of Adelaide Road; Mrs. Dakin, of Digby Madison, Wis.

Business Notices

Buy your groceries and Christmas supplies at 237 Charlotte Street, H. G. McBeath. Open evenings this week. The successful eye-doctor and special knowledge in the optical business enables D. Boyaner, the optician, to adjust a perfectly fitted lens to the most delicate vision.

Call at Jas. A. Tufts & Son, 93 Germain street, and see the toys, china and fancy goods, the balance of their large stock which is being sacrificed to close the stores. Prices cut in two.

A general meeting of the members of the City Loaners' Union will be held this evening, for the purpose of enjoying a smoker. Through kindness of one of the officials a grand opportunity will be given. It is expected several prominent citizens will put in an appearance and speak on the questions of the day. By order of committee, Jas. Sullivan, president; Edward Haines, recording secretary; E. M. Burke, financial secretary.

The Union Clothing Company's store, 26-28 Charlotte street, adj. W. M. C. A. building, will keep open evenings until 10 o'clock to give those who cannot do their Christmas shopping at day time a chance to do it at evenings. Their Christmas store is very attractive. Union Clothing Company.

"It's so easy to select a gift for a man or boy, one he will appreciate too, if you'll only consult the right store. A man's store is the place." Some splendid suggestions are offered in the advertisement of J. N. Harvey, on pages 4 and 8 of today's issue. Read them. If you are having trouble in selecting your Christmas presents, call at William Young's shoe store, Main street, and by seeing his assortment of indoor shoes, outdoor shoes, over-shoes, fur-lined shoes, fancy rubber goods and regular all time shoes for all ages and sizes, you will find your shopping a delight and lasting satisfaction. The schooner Gledis is now landing best quality American hard coal; stove and chestnut sizes, for Gibbon & Co. Will the lady who picked up a hand bag containing twenty dollars in five dollar notes and some small change, at noon today on Union street, near Prince William, please return same to this office and receive a reward.

ANOTHER POSITION. Miss Arnela Colver, of Fairville, has been selected by the Employment Bureau of the Carrie Business University, Ltd., to fill the position of stenographer for the McClary Mig Co's. St. John office.

THE GREAT PROCESSION! Keep your eyes on M. R. A. Every day new things are brought forward, the procession of cases to their rear doorways and the outgo of their contents by the front exits grows longer and heavier as the festive day approaches. It's veritable whirlpool of holiday shopping activities, and every customer is being satisfactorily and promptly served. Extra clerks, extra counter room, extra deliveries. Everything and everybody kept right up to the situation.

SANTA CLAUS AND VIC TICKETS. The Victoria Rink Christmas roll-call will be a long one. More season tickets have been sold to Santa Claus by this time than ever before, and when the band strikes up on the 25th hundreds of boys and girls will be on hand with their season passes tucked proudly away in their inside pockets, don'tcherknow. No more acceptable gift could be devised than a Vic ticket. It stands for three months of solid exhilarating enjoyment; band programmes twice daily. A healthful, mind-restoring amusement for the children at any rate.

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Russian Style, \$3.50 to \$6.50
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