

CLAIMS REBELS RECEIVE HELP FROM AMERICANS

Washington Hears that U. S. Consul at Tampico Aided.

HUERTA TO GIVE UP PRESIDENCY.

Report that the Dictator of Mexico Will Resign to Lead War on the Rebel Forces in Short While.

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—That Enrique Gerosteta, minister of justice, will become president of Mexico early in the new year, and that General Huerta will take the field against the rebels who refuse to confirm to this arrangement, is the report that has been received with credence by some of the diplomatic representatives here. Gerosteta is to be named minister of foreign affairs, according to the report, and General Huerta will retire from the presidency in which the foreign minister succeeds him.

General Huerta is well along in years. He was a lawyer at Monterey, who was brought to the capital to take the portfolio of finance but instead was appointed minister of justice.

Mexico has forwarded a protest to its representative at Washington which it is announced will be presented to the state department against alleged assistance given by Americans against the rebels at Tampico. The complaint is based on representations made by the governor of Tamaulipas and the federal authorities at Mazatlan to the department of the interior.

The governor alleges Clarence A. Miller, the American consul at Tampico, helped the rebels to obtain arms and made address communications against the federalists. He further alleges that the rebels used launches flying the American flag to communicate with the forces along the river, and that during the attack on Tampico provisions were furnished to the rebels in these launches.

The authorities at Mazatlan, in their complaint, asserted that American vessels along the coast were in constant communication with the rebels and furnished them with war material. These complaints, it is stated, are under consideration by the American foreign office, and a protest was prepared.

HON. JOHN N. ARMSTRONG BURIED YESTERDAY

Funeral Cortege Longliest Seen in Years at North Sydney — Large Collection of Floral Tributes.

North Sydney, N. S., Dec. 28.—The funeral of the late Hon. John N. Armstrong was held this afternoon. Impressive services were conducted at St. Matthew's, Rev. W. B. Turner, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, assisted by Rev. J. W. Weeks, of Sydney, Rev. Dr. T. C. Jack, pastor of St. Matthew's, Rev. W. B. Turner, pastor of the Methodist church, and Rev. A. W. Nicholls, rector of St. John's church.

Heading the procession were the members of Royal Albert Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and visiting brethren from neighboring towns, followed by the members of the Cape Breton Barristers' Society, and an immense concourse of citizens on foot and in carriages.

The procession which extended almost from the starting point to the church, was the longest seen in North Sydney in many years.

The pall-bearers were: Dr. H. Rindress, Robert Musgrave, Mayor Stewart of Sydney Mines; D. McKinnis, M. P.; J. J. Forbes and Dr. J. W. McLean.

Hon. Premier Murray, representing the provincial government; Hon. Mr. Baskin and Mr. W. B. McCoy of Halifax, representing the executive council in which Hon. Mr. Armstrong was the government leader, and Hon. A. K. McLean, M. P., a life-long personal and political friend of the deceased, were among those who attended the funeral.

The floral tributes, of which there was a veritable deluge, came from friends in all parts of the country, among them being wreaths from Ottawa, Montreal, Halifax and cities where the deceased was well known and highly esteemed.

KING GEORGE SENDS GREETINGS TO PRESIDENT

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 28.—Among the many messages of congratulations received by President Wilson on his birthday was the following from King George: "I want to offer you my sincere congratulations on the anniversary of your birth and trust that your health has not suffered from your arduous duties of the year."

This was the only cablegram that was made public.

NEW RULES FOR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Spring Scale of Dead Load Type Done Away With.

PROHIBITS LEVER AND SPRING TYPE.

Must Not be Made or Sold After Sixty Days—Fee For Testing Scales is Reduced.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The weights and measures of the Department of Inland Revenue have been amended to provide that no spring scale of the dead load type or of the combined lever and spring scale type, except such as are constructed on the correct knife edge principle and approved by the department shall be manufactured in or imported into Canada. Such scales must not be sold, offered for sale or kept in stock after sixty days from the date of the new order. Scales of the type described where now in use may continue to be used subject to departmental inspection.

Exceptions to the above prohibitions are made in regard to ice spring scales, sportsman's pocket spring balances up to 15 pounds; photographers mixing scales up to 15 oz.; the farmer's milk scale; family or household scales hereafter must comply with the requirements of trade scales of their class. Manufacturers' and dealers' stocks of such scales may be inspected and stamped for a period of sixty days from the date of the new order.

Except in regard also to existing stocks the new regulations provide that the weight graduations on beams and dials of all weighing machines shall be equal amongst themselves unless specially provided. New schedules of alterations of error for various classes of scales and new regulations governing measures of capacity are published in technical details. Railway companies are required to provide a test car for the inspection of all track scales within six months.

The order in council under which these changes are made provide also for a reduction in the fees charged for the inspection of scales inspected oftener than bi-annually. The present rate is two-thirds of the ordinary fee.

Net Enough Heares

The supply of heares was inadequate, and there were only fourteen of these vehicles in the van. There came three undertakers wagons and an automobile truck, the latter carrying three men to the funeral.

Behind the heares was a section of the procession which brought tears and sobs from onlookers. Thirty-nine white coffins, their sizes testifying to the short life of the little forms within, were carried by relays of strikers. Four men bore each coffin and as their arms grew weary or feet stumbled on the slippery roadway companions relieved them of their burdens.

A Pathetic Scene.

Persons drawn to Calumet solely by curiosity became mourners as this contingent passed. Men turned away with brush tears from their cheeks. Women especially the mothers in the crowd, sobbed openly, and unable to endure the sight, rushed from the streets, taking refuge in homes where Yuletide had not been directly saddened by death. Others, too, were in evidence among the toll-hardened men who carried the coffin. They bore the bodies of their companions' children and many a rough sleeve was brushed across the down-turned faces, the eyes of which were concealed by peaked caps, drawn far forward.

Fifty singers chanted hymns in the wake of the children carriers. Most of these men were English miners, who had learned in Cornwall to chant Christmas carols in the streets and years ago brought this old custom to the copper country. Today, however, they did not sing songs of a new life born. "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," "Rock of Ages," and "Nearer My God to Thee" came from the throats, thick with emotion, but the harmonies were full and rich.

As the singers turned into Pine street, which leads to the cemetery road, the open ranks of marchers wheeled into line, inhaling and exhaling came first, followed by a brass band and the members of the copper country locals.

The last marcher had scarcely started from Calumet before the head of the procession had reached the gates, two miles away. All but half-dozen of the burials were in common graves, the ground belongs to the Federation and it was stated a monument would be erected there the formal dedication to take place a year hence.

The cemetery is in two sections. One is consecrated to the dead of the Roman Catholic faith, the other to those belonging to Protestant denominations. In the former three trenches had been excavated and in these twenty-five bodies were laid.

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The Whole Town of Calumet Turns Out to Funeral Yesterday.

WHO CAME TO STARE! REMAINED TO WEEP.

Fifty-nine Bodies Laid Away in Snow-enveloped Graves—Large Numbers Come from Surrounding Places.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 28.—The Western Federation of Miners buried its dead today. Fifty-nine bodies, including those of forty-four children, were carried through the streets today, down a winding country highway, and laid in graves in a snow-enveloped cemetery in sight of Lake Superior. Thousands of saddened miners formed the escort of the funeral parties, and passed between other thousands who, as spectators, testified as to the grief that has oppressed the community since seventy-two men, women and children were killed in the Christmas Eve panic in Italian Hall.

For hours the Sabbath calm was broken by the tolling of bells and the sound of voices intoning burial chants. In half a dozen churches services were held earlier in the day, and the mourners went about the streets, passing from their homes to the churches, back to their homes after brief respites and again to the churches to prepare for the last sad trip to the graveside.

Delegations of strikers began coming into Calumet early in the day. A special train of nine cars, brought hundreds of federalists from the iron mines of Mesquite, and vicinity and every town and mining location in the copper union sent members and friends to swell the ranks of the marchers in the afternoon.

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Pictureque and Beautiful New Brunswick



FAIRY FALLS, ROCKWOOD PARK.

RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE IS THREATENED

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WATERING CARTS SUPPLY HOUSES IN MONTREAL

LOOK ON AS SURGEON SEWS HIS HEART

Recovers from Effects of Anesthetic During Operation.

OPERATION ONE OF LATEST WONDERS.

Doctors Handled Patient's Heart and Put Stitches in Pericardium—Man Has Fair Chance of Recovery.

New York, Dec. 27.—Three surgeons of the Holy Family Hospital in Brooklyn, last night in an attempt to save the life of a man whose heart had been pierced by a stiletto or a long thin knife actually handled the patient's moving heart and performed a most unusual and delicate operation. Later these surgeons declared that the man, who had been taken to a dying condition to the hospital, had a fair chance to recover.

Not only had the man's heart been punctured by the stiletto, but what tended to make the feat of the surgeons even more remarkable was that the victim had lain for some time in a gutter in Van Brunt street, Brooklyn, near DeGraw street.

Peter Jaffer, of No. 367 Van Brunt street, together with Morris Goodyear, of No. 79 Sackett street, were walking in Van Brunt street when they saw an unconscious man, who they afterward discovered was Vincenzo Lauria, thirty-five years old, of No. 349 DeGraw street.

While Jaffer waited with the injured man Goodyear ran to a telephone and called up the Holy Family Hospital. Dr. Dilleuth responded with an ambulance and after a cursory examination of the man's condition decided that he had but a brief time to live. He told the driver to make all possible speed to the hospital, believing that it was highly probable that he might die while on the way.

Immediately the ambulance reached the Holy Family Hospital Dr. Dilleuth gave instructions to have Lauria hurried to the operating room, and while nurses were preparing the patient he told Dr. Raymond Sullivan, chief surgeon of the institution, and Dr. Fiske that the patient's heart had been pierced by a long thin knife.

The three surgeons acted with all possible haste. They opened the man's left side and found that the knife had slashed the left ventricle of the heart and also perforated the left lung. Assisted by the other two surgeons, Dr. Dilleuth delicately took six stitches in the left ventricle and then sewed up the pericardium, the membrane surrounding the heart.

During the operation the patient recovered consciousness. He particularly saw the surgeons sewing up his beating heart. Dr. Sullivan explained that he had decided that it was far preferable to use hypodermic injections of cocaine because of the sudden jump often made by a patient when he recovers from the effects of ether.

"We feared that if he recovered from the effects of ether," said Dr. Sullivan, "he might give a sudden jump, which is the usual thing for a patient to do at such a stage, and then the stitches might be torn and the patient would die. While we were performing the operation the patient was mentally conscious."

Following the use of the needle on the left ventricle and the pericardium the surgeon sewed several stitches in the left lung of the patient.

The three surgeons agreed that Lauria had a good chance to recover, although it all depends on how quiet he remains until the wound has time to heal.

BANK ABSCONDERS ABOARD SCHOONER

Employees of Havana Branch of Royal Bank of Canada Believed to be Escaping on American Vessel.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 28.—Two former employees of the Havana branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, accused of absconding with about \$6,500 of the bank's funds, are believed by the authorities here to be aboard the American schooner Doris, due here early this week. The government agents will board the Doris when she comes into port and take the suspects into custody.

DUTCH VESSEL ASHORE AND IN GREAT DANGER

Brisbane, Australia, Dec. 28.—The Dutch steamer Tasman is ashore on Bramble Bay, Gulf of Papua, according to a wireless message to Thursday Island. The Tasman is in a dangerous position and steamers have been despatched to her assistance. The Tasman carries numerous passengers, including Mrs. Adams, of Colorado, and Thomas G. Stallsmith, of California, commissioners of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Mme. Nordica is also on the steamer.

Wagons, Heralded by Bell Ringer, Bring Daily Apportionment.

HOPE TO RESUME SERVICE TUESDAY

Hospitals Use Makeshift Apparatus—Baptism Postponed Because of Lack of Water for Tank.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The water situation remains unchanged, though it is officially stated that the city service will probably be resumed by Tuesday if not sooner. Already the necessary excavation work about the broken main conduit has been completed and only one more section of steel piping has to be received before the whole can be bolted together, and the pumps again set going.

The absence of water seriously interfered with the church services today. The congregation of St. James' Methodist church found it impossible to keep the edifice warm and worshippers in the Princess Theatre. In most of the churches it was impossible to get power to work the organs, and pianos were substituted. At the First Baptist church a baptism service had to be postponed, as it was impossible to fill the tank used for the ceremony of total immersion.

The hospitals have been fairly well served. The Western Hospital on Friday drew its first fire as a precaution but heating has since been resumed. The fire department of the city of Westmount has been supplying the institution by means of a hose laid across the boundary separating the two cities. The Montreal Maternity Hospital is a sufferer. At first a bucket brigade managed to get a fair supply from St. Martin's church opposite, but as the pressure fell it had to rely on the city water carts. The Hotel Dieu has a spring and well in its grounds and is not seriously inconvenienced, and the Royal Victoria by the same means is managing to get along, running its own boilers for the production of power and light. Not since the break in the city main has the temperature of the wards been under seventy degrees.

The children's Memorial Hospital has some supply though the pressure is poor. Since this morning water carts have delivered to up-town citizens about one million gallons of water—the advent of the cart being heralded by a bell. The statement of City Controller Godfrey is that there will be water by Tuesday if not sooner. He also pointed out the necessity of considering arrangements for having an alternative source of supply.

DEATH CLAIMS ESTEEMED RESIDENT OF DALHOUSIE

Death of Mrs. William Montgomery, Sr., Occurred on Saturday — Was a Native of Campbellton.

Dalhousie, N. B., Dec. 28.—Dalhousie last evening was called upon to mourn the death of one of her dearest and best loved, in the passing away of Mrs. William Montgomery, sr. Approachable always by young and old, continually mindful of the poor and sick and ever thoughtful of those to whom her love and sympathy might be extended, her removal leaves a blank in our community which will not easily be filled.

Mrs. Montgomery, who before her marriage was Miss Mary Moffatt, only daughter of the late George Moffatt, ex-M. P., was born in Campbellton on October 2nd, 1838 and removed with the family to Dalhousie about the year 1858, was married in the year 1867 to Wm. Montgomery, esq., ex-M. P. and for many years collector of customs until he resigned owing to illness.

She is survived by three sons, John, William and Harry and one daughter, Bessie, who cared for her mother through all her illness.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday at two p. m.

REMOVE BODY OF LEO ST. JOHN'S LATERAN

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DOOR CLOSED TO JEWISH STUDENTS

Montreal Hebrew Says Unofficial Restrictions Against Them in Universities in Canada and United States.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—That universities of Canada and the United States, while placing no numerical restrictions upon attendance of Jewish students, as was the case in Europe, none the less observed certain unofficial restrictions against such students, was the statement of Mr. Louis Fitch of Montreal, a graduate of McGill University, at the Zionist banquet Saturday evening. These restrictions, he said, were not officially recognized, and were not published abroad, but were still a fact. As a McGill man himself he had felt that there had been a closed door beyond which Jewish students could not pass. They were not wanted in the Greek letter societies or fraternities and were seldom or never allowed a hearing in the debates at the McGill literary society meetings. There was no real sympathy for the Jewish student shown by those connected with the university. There were not treated as were others. In order to have any say at all in the affairs of the university they had been compelled to form a society of their own, and even this was not recognized by the student body and was ignored altogether in the last issue of the McGill calendar. It was furthermore very difficult for a Jew to be elected to any office at the college.

These conditions, stated Mr. Fitch, were not confined to any one university, but were fairly common, and the young Jew who would obtain advanced education had practically no place to go where he could obtain fair and equitable treatment.

CHAUFFEUR'S ARREST MAY LEAD TO GLUE

Police Take Man Who Went to Get Money for Information Concerning Missing New York Girl.

New York, Dec. 27.—As a sequence to the receipt of letters in which money was demanded from the family of Miss Jessie McCann, the young social worker who disappeared from her home in Brooklyn on December 4, and is still among the missing, Claude Simmons, a chauffeur, was arrested here today. The letters had offered to give for \$2,000, information as to where Miss McCann might be found, and purported to be from a dissatisfied member of a gang that was holding her prisoner for a ransom. The last letter fixed a place in the hotel, district of Manhattan where the money was to be turned over by a messenger boy.

Robert G. McCann, brother of the missing girl, decided to keep the appointment himself, with the police at hand, and was at the designated place when Simmons appeared and accented one of the detectives attendant upon McCann. Simmons had a note reading "Kindly give the bearer a package." (signed) Ford.

When placed under arrest he declared that he had been given the note by a man who, over the telephone, summoned him from the Brooklyn garage where Simmons is employed, instructing him to go in his cab to the place where the arrest was made.

MANCHESTER LINE TO HAVE WEEKLY BOAT
Ottawa Receives Word of Service Every Week Between Manchester and St. John During Winter.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The government has received a circular letter which has been issued by the Manchester Association of Importers and Exporters...

ABSOLUTE ROT, SAYS SIR WILLIAM MACKENZIE
Denies Report that Canada Northern is to Connect with the Quebec and Saginay Railway.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—Sir William Mackenzie said Friday that the last spike in the line connecting Toronto with the Rocky Mountains...

GETTING CUP DEFENDER IN SHAPE
Bristol, R. I., Dec. 27.—A confusion in orders in material for the cup defender on construction here has resulted...

MAN ARRESTED IN THE HOLD-UP CASE
Samuel Landry Identified as the Man who Robbed Young Girl in Canterbury Street.

About two o'clock this morning Police Officer O'Leary encountered in Prince William street a man answering to the description of the one who held-up and succeeded in obtaining two dollars from a young lady in Canterbury street last Saturday evening.

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CANADIAN FLOUR GROWING POPULAR
Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Dec. 28.—That Canadian flour is overcoming prejudices which formerly existed in favor of American brands...

VICTORIA OPENS TONIGHT. Grand opening at Victoria Rink tonight. Ice in good condition. Band in attendance.

FOUND—In Union street, a child's manogram locket. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Apply this office.

CANADIAN MILLINERS DO BIG TRADE IN CIGARETTES
Americans, Denied Privilege of Buying at Home, Purchase in Canada — Get Past Customs Officials.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—There would appear to be no serious demand in Canada for legislation to prohibit importation of cigarettes, such as the law in force in the United States...

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF MESSINA EARTHQUAKE
Celebrated by Procession of Ten Thousand People — Keep Watch All Night at Reggio Di Calabria.

Messina, Sicily, Dec. 28.—The fifth anniversary of the great earthquake was solemnly commemorated today by an imposing procession of 10,000 persons who marched to the cemetery to deposit flowers in graves of thousands of victims.

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PARIS HIDDEN UNDER A MANTLE OF SNOW
Paris, Dec. 28.—Parisians awoke today to find, to their surprise, the city hidden under a mantle of snow. On Saturday there was a great rain storm and the street car and railroad services were considerably delayed.

TORONTO "PRO." TEAM WINS. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—The Toronto professionals today defeated the Thereseas, a local soccer team by 2 to 0.

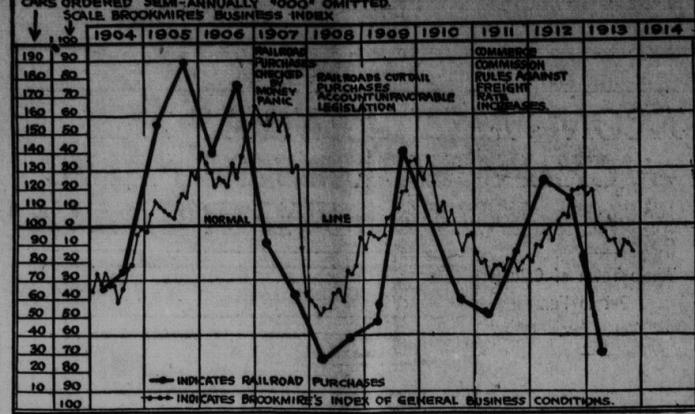
DIED. WITHERS—In this city on December 28, Jane C. widow of William S. Withers, aged 77 years, leaving five sons and one daughter to mourn.

JONES—In this city, on the evening of the 28th inst., William J. Jones, aged 72 years, of Otter Lake, N. B., leaving five sons, one daughter, two brothers and one sister to mourn.

SMITH—In this city, on December 27th, after a brief illness, James Smith, aged 92 years, leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn.

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RAILROAD PURCHASES THE BAROMETER OF COUNTRY'S PROSPERITY OR DEPRESSION, DECLARE MANY EXPERTS



"As the railroads go, so goes the entire country," is the opinion of railroad men who operate the gigantic rolling stock of the United States. In other words, they maintain that if a wave of depression strikes the railroad business the prosperity of the country is bound also to be adversely affected.

According to these experts, the only remedy for the difficulty will be to permit the railroads to raise their rates sufficiently to permit the prosecution of needed improvements and the payment of salaries of employees, which recently were advanced approximately \$15,000,000, without any provisions being permitted to meet this heavy increase.

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FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO LYNCH MURDERER
Sheriffs Keep Infuriated Mob Away from Jail Where Colored Slayer of Farmer is Imprisoned.

POLICEMAN OF BOER WAR EXPERIENCE TOO MUCH FOR ASSAILANTS
Four of Five Took to Cover and Fifth Appeared in Court Worse For Wear — Fined \$50.

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Chestertown, Md., Dec. 28.—The mob of men who last night battled with Sheriff William E. Brown and his deputies at the Kent County jail in an effort to lynch Norman Mabel, colored, the self-confessed murderer of John R. Coleman, a farmer, dispersed early today after making a final ineffectual attempt to rush the jail.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28.—Yesterday Alexander Lafferty was fined \$50 or three months for attack on Police Officer Walker on Christmas Day.

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Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Hon. F. D. Monk, minister of public works, was in the capital today for the first time since he resigned his portfolio in the government. Mr. Monk stated that there would be no political significance, being on purely private matters.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—The Toronto professionals today defeated the Thereseas, a local soccer team by 2 to 0. It was the Canadian team's second victory in the three games just closed in St. Louis.

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Washington, Dec. 27.—George Henry Torrey, surgeon general of the United States army, died at his home tonight of bronchial pneumonia. He had been in poor health for several weeks but his condition had not been serious until a few days ago.

Mexico City, Dec. 27.—El Diario official today carried a warning to foreign correspondents that they would be deported as undesirable aliens if they sent out of Mexico alarming or false stories.

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POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE WED AT FREDERICTON
Newman Griffiths and Miss Bessie J. McKibbin Married on Saturday — Will Reside at Woodstock.

Fredericton, Dec. 28.—Special.—The residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Howard, Saunders street, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday afternoon, when their niece, Miss Bessie Jean McKibbin, daughter of the late Samuel McKibbin of Woodstock and Newman D. Griffiths, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffiths of Woodstock, were united in marriage.

TORONTO MAN FELL OFF DOCK AND DROWNED
Missed Footing and Fell Into Slip — Went Through Thin Ice.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Falling through the ice in the slip at the foot of Church street, Thomas Martin, an employe of the Milne Coal Company, was drowned Saturday afternoon. It is presumed that Martin missed his footing and fell off the dock. He was single and 35 years of age.

THE PHANTOM BANDIT SCORE IN FRANCE
Two Farmers in Cannes Are Shot and Gunmen Vanish Mysteriously — Band Terrorized Countryside.

Cannes, France, Dec. 28.—The people of the outlying districts are in a state of panic over what they believe to be the reappearance of the "phantom bandit" who terrorized the countryside for years by a series of murders and outrages, which long baffled the best efforts of the authorities.

SIR MACKENZIE BOWELL CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY
Belleville, Ont., Dec. 28.—Sir Mackenzie Bowell, former prime minister of Canada, celebrated his 90th birthday here yesterday. The veteran senator is still hale and hearty with the prospect of many more birthdays.

THE IMPERIAL
The special feature "Hard Cash" has been delayed in shipment, but we received this word. It is expected we will be able to show it sometime this week—possibly Friday and Saturday.

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Earl Williams, Clara Kimball Young, Darwin Karr and Jack Harvey in Vitagraph's Exquisite Opera Drama
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"UP A TREE?—WELL I GUESS!"
An Hilarious Hit in America and Abroad.
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Burlesque Pantomimic Farce.
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A Play of Pure Unalloyed Fun
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We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to all users of the spirit bearing our name, for the continuance of your patronage during the year 1913.
We also desire to thank our good friends of the trade—the wholesalers and retailers—as we realize that much depends on their co-operation in the promoting and maintaining of a brand of Whisky.
May the year 1914 bring you and yours health, wealth and prosperity, is the wish of
WHYTE & MACKAY,
50 Wellington Street,
Glasgow.



Friends of Miss Genevieve Clark, daughter of Speaker Champ Clark, believe that the death of Representative Irvin S. Pepper, in Clinton, Iowa, has shattered a romance which promised to lead to an early engagement of marriage of the young woman to Mr. Pepper. The death of Representative Pepper will cast a gloom over the debut Miss Clark is to make New Year's Day in her father's home in Washington, and which was to be one of the most notable social affairs of the season.

THE LATEST SHIPPING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARINE NOTES OF THE WORLD

SIGNAL SERVICE BULLETIN

(Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries.)

St. John, Dec. 27-10 a. m.—Cape Race, 720—Midnight, Sicilian 295 miles east, inward. Sable Island, 380-7.40 a. m., Chignecto 60 miles south, bound St. John: 5 a. m., Canada abeam, 10 p. m., Dec. 26th, Virginian abeam. Halifax, 267-4.50 p. m., Dec. 26th, Ascania arrived. Brier Island, 61—Fair, strong north. Point Lepreau, 22—Fair, moderate north. Partridge Island—Fair, moderate north. Louisburg, N. B., Dec. 26—Sld Norwegian strmr Texas at 4 p. m., for Newport News. 3 p. m.—Sable Island, 380—Noon, Chignecto abeam, bound St. John. Brier Island, 61—Fair, fresh north. Point Lepreau, 22—Clear, moderate north. Partridge Island—Clear, moderate north.

STEAMER FLOATED

The steamer Frieda, from Sabine, Tex., which was ashore near False Cape on Tuesday, arrived at Baldmore Thursday under her own steam.

THE DONALDSON LINE

The steamer Mariana left Glasgow Saturday morning for St. John. The next sailing from Glasgow will be the steamer Glenarm Head on January 10th. The Saturnia arrived at Glasgow at 11 p. m. on Friday.

STEAMERS ARRIVE

The head liner Inishowen Head and the Manchester liner Manchester Corporation arrived in port yesterday. The steamer Virginian from Liverpool and Corinthian, from London, also arrived.

STEAMERS REPORTED

The Allan Line steamer Sicilian was 295 miles east of Cape Race at midnight Friday. West India M. Line S. S. Chignecto, bound from South Lampoon to St. John, was 60 miles south of Sable Island at 7.40 a. m., Saturday.

LORD KITCHENER'S TRIAL

A couple of months ago there arrived in the city a very large boiler from Glasgow for the tug Lord Kitchener. It was successfully placed in position on the tug and Saturday afternoon the Kitchener had a trial trip and is found to be working better than ever she did and the test was highly satisfactory.

ELEVEN SHIPS IN PORT

There were eleven ocean liners in port yesterday and the harbor certainly presented a very busy appearance. Of the number the Allan Line showed up the best, having three ships in port. The C. P. R. has two; the Manchester Line, one; Head Line, one; Dominion Coal Company, two; Elder Dempster, one, and a ship discharging hard pine.

WILL BE LARGE SHIP

The Britannic, which will be the largest vessel owned by the White Star Line, will be launched from the yards of the builders Harland & Wolff, of Belfast, on February 25, three and a half years after the first keel-plank was laid. Her actual dimensions will be 287 feet, 857 feet and gross tonnage 50,000 tons, as compared with the Olympic's 82 feet length and gross tonnage of 46,000 tons. The original plans for the new liner have been completely altered during the course of construction, owing to the development in shipbuilding which has taken place since then. The chief feature of the vessel will be an inner shell constructed from the outer hull, and extending for a distance of 700 feet. The Britannic will be ready for her maiden voyage next September.

DON'T TOUCH HALIFAX

Portland, Me., Dec. 27.—Contrary to general expectations the steamers of the Austro-American Line which are coming here this winter from Trieste will be freight boats instead of passenger liners, as had been advertised. The sailing of the steamer Oceana, a big passenger carrier which had been scheduled to leave Trieste about the middle of December, has been cancelled, as was also that of the freight steamer Georgia, which was to have left Trieste on December 13, the steamer Virginia having been put in her place, the sailing date not having been given on that yet. The steamers Emilia and Clara of the same line will all be here during the winter, but the sailing dates are rather uncertain. A change has also been made in the route, as instead of coming here via Halifax the boats will first go to New York with their cargoes, take on partial freights there, touching here on the return to fill up. It is thought likely one or two of the company's passenger steamers may come here in the spring.

ARRIVES FROM TRIESTE

The C. P. R. S. S. Tyrolia arrived in port at 5 o'clock on Friday afternoon as expected at New Brunswick. The Tyrolia came here from Trieste via Messina and Naples, and left Trieste on the 6th of December. She brought out 15 cabin passengers and 7 cargo passengers and about 1,500 tons of cargo composed chiefly of wines and macaroni. The weather most of the way across was just like summer weather, with the exception of Christmas Day and Friday. While on the way into Messina someone threw three kittens overboard and the sailor's superstition that whenever a cat is drowned there is sure to be a gale of wind proved true and after leaving Messina such a fierce hurricane was encountered that the ship had to return and for 12 hours a heavy

ricane accompanied by a hailstorm raged.

The commander of the Tyrolia, Capt. Carey, has been sailing in ocean-going vessels for over fifty years, and has been coming to St. John ever since it has been a winter port.

MINIATURE ALMANAC

Table with 4 columns: Date, Moon phase, Sunrise, Sunset. Rows for Dec 29, 30, 31.

VESSELS IN PORT

Table with 2 columns: Vessel Name, Agent. Lists various ships like Gramplan, Wm. Thomson, etc.

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Arrived Saturday, Dec. 27. Stmr Lingan, 2602, Garbutt, Sydney, R. P. & W. F. Starr. Stmr Corinthian, London and Havre, Wm Thomson & Co. Arrived Sunday, Dec. 28. Stmr Virginian, Renfils, Liverpool, Wm Thomson & Co. Stmr Manchester Corporation, Manchester, Wm Thomson & Co. Stmr Inishowen Head, Belfast, Wm Thomson & Co.

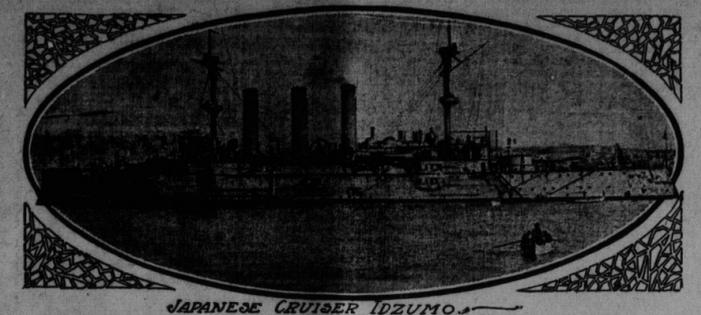
DOMESTIC PORTS

Halifax, Dec. 28—Arrd Saturday 27, stmr Uranium (Br) Rotterdam; Canada, Liverpool. Sailed Saturday, Dec. 27, Uranium, New York. Sailed Sunday, Dec. 28, stmr Empress of Britain, Liverpool; Halifax, Kep West, Fla. Louisburg, N. B.—Sld Dec 26, Norwegian strmr Texas, at four p. m., for Newport News.

BRITISH PORTS

Plymouth—Arrd Dec 26, stmr St. Paul, New York. Liverpool—Sld Dec 24, stmr Cornishman, Portland. Main Head—Sailed Dec 25, stmr Mongolian, Philadelphia, for Glasgow. Botwood, Nfld—Sld Dec 19, stmr Orithia, Manchester, with plup and paper. Boothbay Harbor—Arrd Dec 26, schr Lucia Porter, St. John. Calais, Me.—Arrd Dec 26, schr W. E. & W. L. Tuck, New York. Antwerp—Sld Dec 24, stmr Lake Michigan, Parry, St. John. New York—Arrd Dec 26, schrs R.

JAPANESE BATTLE SHIP WHICH IS AT MEXICAN PORT.



JAPANESE CRUISER IZUMO. Of all the foreign war ships which have arrived in Mexican waters it appears probable that the Japanese cruiser Izumo will be the first to be represented by its marines and bluejackets in the Mexican capital. The Izumo reached Manzanillo, and it was announced at the National Palace that a contingent of Japanese will start for Mexico City.

HON. MR. HAZEN CARRIES OUT A GREAT WORK

Many Aids to Navigation In Bay of Fundy.

MORE WORK THAN IN TEN PREVIOUS YEARS

Minister of Marine and Fisheries Supplies Long Needed Improvements Along the Coast.

"The year just closing has seen more work done in the way of improving aids to navigation in the Bay of Fundy than the ten preceding years." This statement was made Saturday morning by John Kelly, inspector of lighthouses, Mr. Kelly, continuing, said Hon. Mr. Hazen on taking up the duties of Minister of Marine and Fisheries had at once given thought to New Brunswick problems, and officials, realizing that recommendations and suggestions they might have to make would receive sympathy.

thetic consideration from him, had brought to his notice some matters that he had been urging for years. Mr. Kelly said Hon. Mr. Hazen had gone carefully into each case presented to him and when convinced of the necessity and advantage of the aids asked, had urged them on the Lighthouse Board, and the result had been many improvements that were of great benefit to navigation in the Bay of Fundy and along the North Shore of New Brunswick.

Asked for a statement of what had been done, Mr. Kelly said: At the head of the Bay a number of buoys had been established in the Cumberland Bay, making easier navigation to places along that shore. At Cape Enrage, a dangerous point, a bell buoy had been placed, and arrangements are now in progress to place a gas buoy seven miles this side of it. These will make much easier navigation in the locality.

A new light has been located at Big Salmon River, and tenders are now at work for a new lighthouse and dwelling at Martin's Head. A fog alarm will be placed there also in the near future.

New lighthouses have been established at Salmon River. In the lower part of the bay, that is below St. John, there have also been many improvements to the aids to navigation which make easier the task of those who sail the bay in large and small craft. The Pea Point and Bliss Island lighthouses have received attention that makes them better protectors of the approaches to L'Etang L'Etang and Bliss Harbors, while further assistance is provided by a gas and bell buoy in the L'Etang passage, a bell buoy has been placed at Adams Island, one of the small islands off Deer Island.

New lighthouses have been built at Leonardville and Chipcon, the latter with an occulting light of the most modern installation that can be seen for many miles. For the aid of the fishermen who carry on their vocation in the waters at the mouth of the bay a number of spiritlights with cages have been placed on the dangerous shoals. These permit the fishermen to use their motor boats without fear of being damaged on the dangerous shoals. At Machias Seal Island, a new revolving occulting light of most modern installation has been erected, as well as one of the largest and most modern fog alarms, with new building for same.

The department has spent over \$10,000 in repairing, improving and making safe the Ganant Rock life station by building concrete walls on the west, southwest and eastern sides, as well as a concrete flooring to replace the wooden flooring that has been washed away. The fog alarm building also has been concreted on the western and southern sides to ensure safety from the heavy seas that fre-

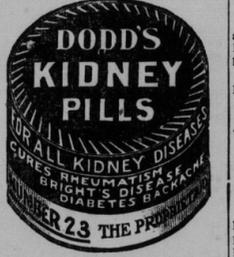
quently roke in and damaged both the building and machinery. Besides these navigation aids in the Bay of Fundy, the department has done much work along the North Shore. At Cape Tormentine many improvements have been made in the light and a new revolving light has been located at Cape Jourdain, new lights have been established at Sheela, at Chockfish and at Grand Anse, in Gloucester. At Shippegan a new light has been placed on the public wharf and another at Caranquet, while at different points buoys and other aids to navigation have been placed, marking channels and making safer the ways to and from the open sea.

Besides these activities the department under Hon. Mr. Hazen has during the year established three new lighthouses on inland waters. One is at Hayswater and another at McColgan's Point on the St. John river and the third at Shamper's wharf in the Belleisle.

IN THE COURTS

PROBATE COURT

In the probate court Saturday the will of Miss Helen Marion Yeats, late of Lancaster, was proved. She gives to her sister Isabella Yeats of Lancaster, (who died before her) all her estate real and personal for the term of her natural life, and after her death to her brother, Charles Yeats of the same place, for his life and after his death to her niece Helen Marion Ellerman of Young, New South Wales, wife of C. H. Ellerman and daughter of her late brother Walter, for her life, and after her death the principal to be divided among her children share and share alike. She nominates her sister and brother as executors, and by a codicil nominates Jack H. A. L. Palmer, real and personal for the term of his natural life, in place of Isabella Yeats. They were accordingly sworn in as such real estate—\$5,000; personal estate, \$16,000; total \$21,000. J. Roy Campbell, K. C., is proctor.



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NOTICE TO MARINERS

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THE MAIL RECORD.

The record made in unloading the Virginian's mails at Sand Point, yesterday, is one that should be told of throughout Canada, if only to refute the slander published in the Halifax machine Grit newspapers, to the effect that the workers in this port were less competent to handle the mails than are their brothers in the sister city. Halifax has proudly contended that mails landed there can be handled at the rate of 1,000 pieces per hour. The actual time consumed in handling the Virginian's mails, yesterday, shows that the Halifax record can easily be beaten in St. John.

For several days two of the Halifax newspapers have been using considerable space in order to convince their readers that Halifax is the natural mail port, and that it is nothing short of unwarranted egotism for St. John to seek a share of the business. St. John has always stood for the open door in the mail and passenger, as well as the freight business. The owners of the trans-Atlantic steamship lines have satisfied themselves that they can better handle their freight business through this port and it is the opinion of many that anything like a fast test will show that the mail and passenger traffic can also be handled in winter to better advantage here than anywhere else. Halifax naturally wants the mail business, and if she can prove her right to it there can be no objection to it going there, but as long as the Halifax Grit newspapers stoop to deliberate misstatements in order to injure St. John, there cannot be friendly feelings between the two ports.

Unquestionably the development of the Canadian trade and the necessary improvement to the facilities of St. John and Halifax, will result in both ports getting all the business they can handle. At the same time St. John has a reputation to preserve, and in the interests of fairness, if for nothing else, the Board of Trade should take action to contradict the Halifax slanders. Yesterday's mail record affords an excellent opportunity to nail one of them.

MR. HAZEN'S GOOD WORK

In another column of The Standard will be found an interview with Mr. John Kelly, Inspector of Lighthouses, in which that official deals with the question of aids to navigation in the Bay of Fundy. One of his statements will be found particularly interesting. It is that "the year just closing has seen more work done in the way of improving aids to navigation in the Bay of Fundy than in the ten preceding years." In other words, Hon. J. D. Hazen, since he became minister of marine, has done what his predecessors in that important office failed to do; he has recognized the importance of safeguarding navigation in every possible way and the Bay of Fundy has come in for its full share of attention.

In the stress of party politics good conscientious work often passes without recognition. It is pleasing to see that such a staunch Liberal newspaper as the St. John Globe continues to maintain its reputation for fairness by giving credit where credit is due. The Globe secured the information regarding aids to navigation in the bay from Inspector Kelly, and in commenting editorially on Mr. Hazen's good work, has this to say: "Every improvement in aids to navigation makes easier the task of those who sail the seas either in small or large craft. The better the coast is protected by lights, bell buoys, fog alarms and other appliances, the less objection can be offered by ship owners to sending their vessels to Canadian ports. Hon. Mr. Hazen is doing an important work in pressing the need of these improvements on the Lighthouse Board and the work done indicates the measure of success that is attending his efforts."

SIR WILFRID'S "LOYALTY."

By continued vehement assertions Liberal newspapers seek to move Canadians to the verge of hysteria over the pure and holy patriotism and loyalty of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. There is little need for so much Grit protesting as to their leader's sentiments or his beliefs. Sir Wilfrid Laurier may be the most loyal of patriots, and the most patriotic of loyalists. His qualities of heart have not been questioned so much as his qualities of mind. Possibly it was a disloyal mind's suggestion of a patriotic heart that caused him to remark that not a man nor a gun should go to South Africa, where both were needed to fight Britain's wars.

Possibly, again, it was but an unbridled tongue, overcoming both loyal heart and patriotic mind that influenced him to express himself, in Hamilton last month as follows: "the quotation being thoroughly reliable as it comes from the Toronto Globe, an

authority that the Telegraph or the Times will hardly dare to repudiate:

"Europe is an armed camp. Its leading nations spend from a third to a half of their revenues in munitions of war. I don't believe any one of them contemplates aggression. They are only distrustful, and because they dare not join hands and work together for good—this is what they call 'The European Concert.' Sir, it is not a concert but a furnace, and yet it is into this furnace that the Government would lead us. If I speak strongly on this subject it is because I believe in the principle of Liberalism, the principle of autonomy and self-government; the only policy which will ever be accepted by the Canadian people."

When Liberals are inclined to resent with scorn the suggestion that Sir Wilfrid harbors separatist, not to say disloyal, unpatriotic views, they should read quotations like the foregoing and then ask themselves if Sir Wilfrid's words do not involve the doctrine of separatism from the Empire. If this is not their portent then what do they mean?

No Conservative speaker, no Conservative newspaper has need to labor to learn where Sir Wilfrid Laurier stands in relation to the policy of effective Canadian aid in Britain's wars. It is only necessary to read portions from his speeches. He speaks for himself.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT

Toronto women, rather than pay the price asked by dealers in the Queen City for eggs and Christmas poultry, organized a Co-operative Sale with much success. They collected from farmers direct about 300 turkeys, a score of geese, three crates of eggs and sixty pounds of butter. While the movement was undertaken only on a small scale, it marked a beginning and, it is understood from the Toronto newspapers, that the experiment will be repeated with larger quantities of commodities. At the sale the police had to be called to regulate the crowds of would-be purchasers, and it is recorded that while very substantial savings were effected on the articles bought, the farmers received higher prices for their produce than they had been accustomed to get in the ordinary way.

If the new parcels post system tends to bring the consumers more closely in touch with the producers, the middlemen will be forced to reduce their margin of profits. The Toronto experiment has satisfied the women who participated in it that the margin between the price on the farm and the price in the stores in Toronto was much wider than it should be. Consequently they know how to act in future. Such experiments as the Toronto one will throw more light on the causes of the high cost of living than all the political speeches Sir Wilfrid Laurier could deliver in a century.

The city of Minneapolis has developed a new method of presenting its advantages to seekers for industrial sites. It is nothing more than the erection of a high tower, to the top of which the seeker for a factory site is led and invited to look at the panoramic view of the city presented at his feet. This plan would not answer in cities, the topography of which was different from Minneapolis—a city in plain. Also, how would it work in cities where smoke consumers were not known and the only prospect a visitor could get would be an ocean of black grimy smoke clouds? As Minneapolis largely depends upon "white coal" for its power the advantage of an unpolluted atmosphere is preserved. Air without smoke clouds permeating it not only makes for new industries but also for better health.

Hon. George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, has notified the St. John Board of Trade that the department is sending a commissioner to make special enquiry into the development of trade between Canada and the West Indies. Every day it lives the Borden Government continues to give evidence that it is a government of business men banded together for the benefit and best interests of Canada.

In Windsor, Ontario, the other day, a negro who was convicted of robbing a man of twenty-five cents, was sentenced to two years with hard labor. At the same time a business man who was found guilty of having assaulted a young girl in his employ, was fined \$25. It is contrasts such as this that lead people to wonder if, after all, Canadian justice does not sometimes make mistakes.

Twelve Deaths
During the past week twelve deaths were registered at the board of health offices from the following causes: Senility, two; phthisis, meningitis, malnutrition, acute nephritis, heart disease, locomotor ataxia, accidental fall, broncho-pneumonia, jaundice and anaemia, and multiple diseases, one each

Diary of Events HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

The store pits, which represented the first attempt to mine coal on a large scale in the Pictou district of Nova Scotia, caught fire on this date in 1832, and burned so fiercely that the mine had to be flooded with the waters of the East river. The sinking of the store pits in 1837 by the General Mining Association of London, England, was considered at that time a wonderful undertaking. The English mining company was responsible for the introduction into Nova Scotia of many innovations which are now commonplace of civilization. Soon after the opening of the pit twenty horse-power steam engine was installed for hoisting the coal, being the first of its kind in British America. The Canadian-built steamer, the Royal William, coaled at Pictou for its nineteen-day trip to the Thames which inaugurated the steam navigation of the Atlantic and inspired Samuel Cunard to build the first of the great fleet of liners now bearing his name. In 1839 the first railway in British America was opened between the mine and the loading ground. Thousands of people assembled to witness the epochal event, and several train loads of passengers were carried to New Glasgow and back.

It was their first experience of the delightful novelty of a railway journey. The store pits suffered many disasters and the first of these was the one in a long series of calamities. There were explosions in 1834, 1835, and 1838, and a conflagration in 1839 made it necessary to abandon the mine.

THE HUMAN PROCESSION

QUEEN OF ROUMANIA 70 TODAY.
Queen Elizabeth of Roumania, the "Carmen Sylva" of many volumes of delightful novels, dramas, stories and fairy tales, was born in Newted, Germany, just three score and ten years ago today. Her birthday is within one day of being the same as that of Dr. Woodrow Wilson, the literary President of the United States, who passed his fifty-seventh birthday on Sunday. Among the occupants of thrones and the presidents of the world, the Roumanian Queen and the American President are among the very few who have accomplished great things in the domain of letters. President Poincare of France and King Nicholas of Montenegro have each written a few books and several other princes and presidents have made brief incursions into literature, but they are not in the same class with "Carmen Sylva" or the ex-prince of Princes.

Queen Elizabeth's father was the late Prince Hermann of Weid, and her mother was Princess Maria of Nassau. She was twenty-five when she married Prince Carol, or Charles, son of Prince Anthony of Hohenzollern, who, three years before, had been elected King of Roumania. When Elizabeth took up her residence in Bucharest, Roumania was a vast and empty land. In 1877 the people, assembled in the capital, proclaimed themselves free and independent, and in 1881 Carol and Elizabeth were crowned as King and Queen of Roumania. From her youth, when she travelled extensively, the Queen was interested in literature, and wrote occasionally in French and Italian, but it was not until 1890 that she won widespread fame with her "Thoughts of a Queen."

"DR. JIM'S" BIRTHDAY.

Sir Leander Starr Jameson, the famous "Dr. Jim Johnson" of the Transvaal raid, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, on this date, twenty-two years ago today. Today is the eighteenth anniversary of the celebrated raid, which began Dec. 29, 1895, and in which John Hays Hammond, the eminent American engineer, was one of his ardent supporters in the attempt to overthrow the Kruger regime. Jameson soon surrendered to the Boers, and was turned over to the English authorities, who sentenced him to ten months' imprisonment. After the South African war, in which he took part, Dr. Jameson was knighted, became Premier of Cape Colony, and last June was elected president of the Chartered Company of South Africa, succeeding the Duke of Abercorn.

THE PASSING DAY

A GERMAN CELEBRATION.
Genevans will celebrate this week the centenary of the city's admission into the Swiss Confederation. While Napoleon, hemmed up in Paris, was dissolving the corps legislatif and vainly seeking to persuade the defeated France against the enemies which encompassed its borders, Geneva took advantage of the opportunity to throw off the French yoke. On December 30, 1813, it was solemnly resolved that Geneva no longer owed allegiance to the Corsican despot—a resolution in which the Swiss opposed to France heartily concurred. It was not until 1815, however, that the congress at Vienna gave formal approval to the plan which made Geneva a full member of the Swiss confederation.

FIRST THINGS

THE FIRST REVOLVER.
The first patent for a revolving firearm, or revolver, was issued to Samuel Colt seventy-eight years ago today. Colt, the centenary of whose birth will be celebrated at Hartford, Conn., next July, was a sailor boy when, in 1829, he conceived the idea of a pistol with a rotating chambered breech, and a carved a model from wood. In 1835 he secured patents on his invention in the United States and England, France, and succeeded in persuading some New York capitalists to take an interest in the company he formed for manufacturing revolvers. The concern, which had a capital of \$300,000, established a plant in Paterson, N. J.,

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Also in Despair.
"No one can be in two places at the same time."
"I don't know; one can be in trouble and in jail."—Boston Transcript.

Knew It All Along.
Arthur T. Hadley, president of Yale, said of youth at a tea in New Haven: "I find youth modest, almost over-modest. I don't agree with the accepted idea of youth that is epitomized in the anecdote.
"According to this anecdote, an old man said to a youth:
"My boy, when I was your age I thought, like you, that I knew it all, but now I have reached the conclusion that I know nothing."
The youth, lighting a cigarette, answered carelessly:
"H'm! I reached that conclusion about your years ago."—Chicago Record-Herald.

One of Mark Twain's.
The number of anecdotes that Twain shows how world-wide is the famous humorist's popularity. In the course of one of his lecture trips, Mark Twain arrived at a small town, where a dicker went to a barber shop and back.
"You are a stranger?" asked the barber.
"Yes," Mark Twain replied. "This is the first time I've been here."
"You choose a good time to come," the barber continued. "Mark Twain is going to read and lecture tonight. You'll go, I suppose?"
"Oh, I guess so."
"Have you bought your ticket yet?"
"Not yet."
"But everything is sold out. You'll have to stand."
"How annoying!" Mark Twain said, with a sigh. "I never saw such luck! I always have to stand when that fellow lectures!"—Youth's Companion.

Sues For Commission.
A. J. Solows is suing the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Dominion Express Company for \$1,400, this amount being claimed by him as commission on the purchase of the Foster building on the corner of King and Germain streets.

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operating under the names of the Patent Arms Company, Colt's revolvers were first used in warfare in 1837, when a number of the troops engaged in the Florida war were armed with the new Colt's revolver. The first company failed in 1842, and no more revolvers were manufactured until the outbreak of the war between the United States and Mexico, when Colt received an order for 1,000 revolvers, and manufactured them in a temporary workshop near New Haven. The exodus to California in 1849 created a large demand for the firearms, and Colt established a new factory in Hartford in 1850, which was immediately successful.

Also in Despair.
"No one can be in two places at the same time."
"I don't know; one can be in trouble and in jail."—Boston Transcript.

Knew It All Along.
Arthur T. Hadley, president of Yale, said of youth at a tea in New Haven: "I find youth modest, almost over-modest. I don't agree with the accepted idea of youth that is epitomized in the anecdote.
"According to this anecdote, an old man said to a youth:
"My boy, when I was your age I thought, like you, that I knew it all, but now I have reached the conclusion that I know nothing."
The youth, lighting a cigarette, answered carelessly:
"H'm! I reached that conclusion about your years ago."—Chicago Record-Herald.

One of Mark Twain's.
The number of anecdotes that Twain shows how world-wide is the famous humorist's popularity. In the course of one of his lecture trips, Mark Twain arrived at a small town, where a dicker went to a barber shop and back.
"You are a stranger?" asked the barber.
"Yes," Mark Twain replied. "This is the first time I've been here."
"You choose a good time to come," the barber continued. "Mark Twain is going to read and lecture tonight. You'll go, I suppose?"
"Oh, I guess so."
"Have you bought your ticket yet?"
"Not yet."
"But everything is sold out. You'll have to stand."
"How annoying!" Mark Twain said, with a sigh. "I never saw such luck! I always have to stand when that fellow lectures!"—Youth's Companion.

Sues For Commission.
A. J. Solows is suing the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the Dominion Express Company for \$1,400, this amount being claimed by him as commission on the purchase of the Foster building on the corner of King and Germain streets.

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CHRISTMAS MUSIC SONGS IN CHURCHES

Programmes Successfully Carried Out in Several Churches Last Evening—Children Take Part.

In several of the city churches yesterday Christmas music was rendered by the Sunday schools and the choirs. In every instance the programme was carried out successfully with large congregations in attendance. In some cases the music was sung after the regular evening church service.

St. Luke's Church.
In St. Luke's church last evening, following the regular Sunday evening service, carol service was held when special music was rendered, and the following programme carried out:
Anthem—"Sing O Heaven," Simpson (solo, Mr. W. A. Smith).
Carol—"Good Christian Men Rejoice."
Male chorus—"Hark! The Gaid Tidings."
Carol—"The First Noel."
Carol—"We Three Kings of Orient Are." (Kings: Masters L. Jordan, G. Briden, J. Angel).
Carol—"Cradled All Lowly."
Anthem—"There Were Shepherds." (Solo: Master Cecil McKim).
Carol—"Good King Wenceslas." (King: Mr. Fred Irving; Page: Master E. Gosselin).
Carol—"Holy Night."
Male chorus—"White Shepherds Watched."
Carol—"Hark! What Mean those Holy Voices."
Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."
Main Street Baptist.

Special Christmas music was also rendered yesterday in Main Street Baptist church at both morning and evening services. In the evening the service was attended by large numbers, and the following programme of special music was:
Organ Voluntary—"He Shall Feed His Flock," from Messiah (Handel).
T. C. Cochrane.
Opening Anthem—"O Zion that Bringest Good Tidings," (Stainer).
Anthem—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Sullivan).
Solo—"The Birthday of the King" (Wilson), Miss Elkin.
Male Quartette—"Follow the Star" (Wilson), Messrs. Frewelling, Van Wart, Dykeman and Mackay.
Offering.
Duet—"Babe Divine" (Warren), Mrs. R. Estabrook and Miss Elkin.
Organ solo—"Fantasia Pastorale," (Wily), T. C. Cochrane.
Ladies' Quartette—"A Christmas Lullaby" (Wilson), Mrs. R. W. Estabrook, Mrs. H. A. Estabrook, Misses Gallop and Elkin.
Anthem—"Worship the New Born King" (Williams).
Concluding Voluntary—"Hallelujah the Shadow of Thy Wings" (West).
Benediction—Threefold Amen.
Concluding Coluntary—"Hallelujah from Mount of Olivets" (Beethoven).

Exmouth Street Methodist.
In Exmouth Street Methodist Church the Christmas music last evening greatly pleased the big congregation present, and consisted of a lengthy programme of choruses, solos and recitations. The programme was carried out by the children of the Sunday school assisted by the choir. Rev. R. E. Crisp, the pastor, presided and delivered an appropriate address. The general excellence of the music was much commented upon. In the chorus, the Star of Bethlehem, the lights were turned out with the exception of a big electric star. This lighting effect proved a great addition to the strength of the chorus.

In the Sunday school yesterday afternoon the annual collection for the poor was taken up and amounted to \$70. Although not as large as last year the money will be gratefully received by those for whom it was intended.
The programme follows:
Chorus, He is King; recitation, Mildred James; chorus, His Birthday; recitation, Alice Nell; solo, Ronald Thomas; recitation, Maxwell Anderson; solo, Mabel Shaw; recitation, Ernest Hopkins; solo, Emma Rand; Christmas exercise by nine girls; chorus, The Star of Bethlehem; recitation, Helen Magee; duet and chorus, the Angels' Sweet Refrain; recitation, Constance Ferguson; chorus, Gifts for Jesus; recitation, Alfred Marston; chorus, Softy Fell the Moonbeams; recitations, John Hopkins.

Charlotte Street Baptist.
In the Charlotte Street Baptist Church, West End, last evening the Christmas music was repeated, as assisted by an orchestra and four members of the Carleton Cornet Band. A large congregation attended and besides the usual religious exercises the following programme was successfuly carried out:
Anthem, The King of Glory; hymn, 241; anthem, The Wonderful Story; anthem, Oh Earth be Joyful. The members of the Carleton Cornet Band who assisted were: Percy Belyea, George Palmer, Mr. Taylor and George Lanyon.

Congregational Church.
In the Congregational Church yesterday special Christmas music was sung at the services both morning and evening. The services were attended by large congregations. In the morning a nicely arranged programme of solos and choir singing was carried out. In the evening special Christmas music was also rendered.

FUNERALS.
The funeral of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Roberts was held at 2:30 Saturday afternoon from her late residence, 32 Albert street, to Fernhill. The services were conducted by Rev. David Hutchinson.

IMPERIAL MAKES PROGRAMME CHANGE

Big Features Shifted Because of Train Delays—A Good Big Bill, Nevertheless.

The Imperial management announces that Charles Reade's great story "Hard Cash" advertised for today and Tuesday has been delayed in shipment from Toronto and cannot be shown as scheduled. It will in all probability be put on at the big theatre Friday and Saturday. However other excellent arrangements have been made to make amends for this slip-up, as follows:

Viagraph's two-part society drama "Love's Sunset" will be shown today and tomorrow, featuring the favorites Clara Kimball Young, Darwin Karr and Earle Williams. This is rated one of the most charming Viagraphs yet to hand. The comedy is to be a whole reel of unusually good Paths entitled "Up a Tree—Well I Guess."
The Sidolairs are an act famous in vaudeville circles. The burlesque tramp and artist landscape artist are of international repute, having played all the big European cities and a hit everywhere. Their scenic effects are new and surprising. Dolor Veillau will have a new song number.
On Wednesday and Thursday (the holiday) another of the Mary series will be forthcoming—almost a climax to the intense novel, but not quite the great climax. There will be two new reels of film for the holiday in addition to Mary and on Friday and Saturday another new show, including the delayed feature "Hard Cash."

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Jane C. Withers.
The death of Jane C. widow of William S. Withers, took place at the residence of her son, Samuel J. Withers, 102 Hazen street early yesterday morning. Mrs. Withers had been ill for several months. She is survived by five sons, Captain N. A. of the steamer Lansdowne; George E., superintendent of letter carriers; Charles J. of Fairfield, O. G. of Amherst, and Samuel J. of this city; and one daughter, Mrs. John Irvine.

Corporal Frederick Withers, who was killed in South Africa was also a son. Three of Mrs. Withers' sons fought through the South African war with the Canadian troops.
Mrs. Withers is survived by three sisters, Mrs. H. Owen Rigby, of St. Andrews; Mrs. Louise Meade, of Boston; and Mrs. Daniel Smith, of New Hampshire; and two brothers, Captain W. Drake Clark, Calais, and Obidiah Clark of St. Andrews.

The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon from the home of Samuel J. Withers 102 Hazen street 2:30 o'clock.
Wm. H. Earle.
The death of William H. Earle, aged eighty-four years, occurred Friday at the home of his son, 161 Mecklenburg street, after a brief illness. He is survived by three sons, starting in this city: Ira and Ambrose, of Belleisle; and one daughter, Mrs. James Stephenson, of Boston. The funeral service will be held on Sunday evening at nine o'clock at his residence, and the burial will take place at Elmhurst, King's county, on Monday.

James Boyd.
Yesterday Mrs. R. R. Patchell, of St. John street, received a telegram from New York announcing the death of her brother, James Boyd, who is an old St. John boy, and well known here. The deceased was in the printing business and learned the trade in the old News office in this city. In 1875 he removed to New York and for a great many years held an excellent position with the Standard Union. Nearly every summer Mr. Boyd spent a lengthy vacation in St. John. He was very popular with all, who had the pleasure of knowing him. The remains will be interred in New York.

William J. Jones.
The death of William J. Jones took place yesterday at the home of his daughter, Exmouth street. Mr. Jones had been a resident of Otter Lake until about two years ago when he came to the city. He was a county councillor for Simonds for many years and at the time of his death was commissioner of highways for the Parish of Simonds. His wife died about ten years ago. He is survived by five sons, Frank S., William and Herbert of Otter Lake; Ernest and Leslie of this city; one daughter, Mrs. L. J. Crockett of this city; two brothers, Joseph of St. John county and John in the United States; and one sister, Mrs. Henry Kilpatrick, wife of Sergt. Kilpatrick of the North End police division. There are nineteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday with service at 41 Exmouth street at 12:30 o'clock. Interment will be made at Lock Lomond.
James Smith.
A respected old citizen passed away on Saturday night in the person of James Smith, for many years a valued employee of the I. C. R., but who was superannuated two years ago. Although he had reached the advanced age of 92 years, Mr. Smith had enjoyed good health up to a few weeks ago when he was seized with a cold, later developing the complications incident upon old age. The deceased was by trade a ship carpenter and in the days when St. John was famed as the home of wooden ships was a well known figure in the yards. With the decline of shipbuilding he entered the employ of the old firm of Logan and Lindsay with which he was connected for many years. Then he entered the employ of the I. C. R.
A staunch Presbyterian, Mr. Smith was for more than 60 years a member of St. John Presbyterian church. He is survived by three sons, John A. of the St. John Railway Company, and G. W. and J. A. of C. and E. Everett's. He also leaves two daughters, Misses Jennie and Mary living at home. The funeral will take place on Tuesday afternoon from his late home 211 King street east.

For The Orphans.
The collection in St. Peter's church on Christmas Day for the orphans amounted to \$244.50.

MASSONS VISIT THEIR OFFICERS

Ceremony Carried Out Saturday Evening in a Number of Lodges—Interesting Programme in No. 8.

Carleton Union Lodge No. 8 installed the following officers in their hall Saturday evening—J. Erby Brittain, W. M.; Geo. M. Battile, I. P. M.; Geo. N. Keneally, S. W.; Jarvis M. Wilson, W.; Dan C. Clark (P. M.) chaplain; Enoch Thompson, (P. M.) treasurer; Percy W. Wetmore, (P. M.) secretary; Samuel Irons, S. D.; Frank K. Stuart, J. D.; Wm. J. Stewart, E. S.; J. Percy Cruikshank, J. S.; Chas. M. Lawson, D. of C.; E. R. W. Ingraham, organist; Geo. W. J. Scott, I. G.; Geo. W. Carleton, tyler. The installation was conducted by P. M. Wm. L. Ellis whose father, the late P. G. M. Ellis had been the city installing officer of this lodge within the memory of those present.

After the lodge closed a pleasant evening was spent in the refreshment room and the officers of London Lodge No. 1, who had first been installed paid the sister lodge a surprise visit. They were warmly welcomed and a cordial invitation extended to repeat their visit as often as possible during the coming year.
St. Stephen, N. B., Dec. 28.—Special Masonic officers were installed last evening as follows:—Sussex Lodge, St. Stephen, L. B. Mitchell, W. M.; S. D. Budd, S. W.; J. W. Fraser, J. W.; F. M. Murchie, treasurer; W. Hawthorne, S. D.; W. Dewolf, J. D.; V. V. Vanstone, S. S.; C. H. Maxwell, J. S.; Rev. E. B. Wylie, chaplain; C. S. Gregory, D. of C.; H. Linton, I. G.; H. Smye, the tyler; secretary to be appointed.

SOCIALISM PROVES A SUBJECT OF INTEREST

Alderman H. H. Stuart, of Newcastle, Addresses Local Socialists—Urges States Ownership.

The following officers of Hiram Lodge F. & A. M. No. 6 were installed on Saturday night, St. John's Day by D. G. M. Dr. H. O. B. Bridges.
W. M., H. S. Campbell; S. W., F. A. Good; J. W. Harold Colwell; chaplain, J. W. Wallace; treasurer, M. Tennant; secretary, L. B. Bliss; S. D., Alex Murray; D. of C., E. Dawson, Charlotte town; J. S. H. Hagerman; D. of C., G. Y. Dibble; organist, Prof. E. Cadwalder; I. G., Frank Creed; tyler, A. B. Brown.

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Dufferin.
G. S. Sharp, East Bideford; H. L. Coombs, Montreal; A. H. Adams, Boston; P. E. Fowles, Sydney; W. C. Mills, Halifax; T. B. Calhoun and wife, St. George; E. Dawson, Charlotte town; W. J. Gayner, McAdam; Joe Murray, Woodstock; L. E. Sanders, do; J. D. Garrol, London, Eng; A. H. Howard, New York; H. E. Daxson, F. J. Mills, Halifax; Pastor R. Benjamin, Milwaukee.

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Probably a good many people patronize these seers on the credit of their childish minds as a sort of diversion; but although this is supposed to be an age of science there are many young people who take the fortune telling graft with great sincerity, and make fools of themselves, as well as waste many pieces of silver which they might spend to personal advantage.

OPEN SWITCH CAUSES BAD SMASH IN YARD

An open switch was responsible for a bad smash-up Saturday morning in the C. P. R. yard upon the arrival of the Boston train, running forty-five minutes late, in charge of Conductor Johnson with Driver Johnson on the engine. The train was coming into the depot on the main line, when suddenly there was a sharp swerve to one side, followed by a severe crash for the engine had come into an open switch and smashed into a string of five or six loaded freight cars standing near the new C. P. R. sheds. Some passengers were thrown from their seats and others who were stand-

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The design for the front is given. If you wish, you can take the central motif and place it on each side of the back. It is excellent on the upper part of each sleeve, the panel outlined with valenciennes lace, and the collar, if of the fabric, can be decorated in front with one of the sprays.

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Convenient Bags

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To make a bag in which to keep work when crocheting, purchase seven-eighths of a yard of fancy ribbon about six inches wide. Cover a circular cardboard foundation four inches in diameter with the ribbon. Hem the remaining piece of ribbon at each end and gather one edge, sewing it evenly to the covered circle. Crochet a covering for a brass ring one inch in diameter, using silk to match the ribbon. Gather the outer edge of the ribbon and attach it to the ring. To the hemmed ends of the wide ribbon sew narrow ribbon and tie in bows, which serve to hold the materials in the bag. The end of silk or yarn is then slipped through the ring, and unrolls easily as the worker needs it, without becoming soiled or tangled.

An attractive handkerchief bag is made of two yards of eight-inch ribbon, four yards of No. 3 white cotton wadding, each six inches square, and two pieces of cardboard of the same dimensions. Cover the pieces of cardboard with wadding and sprinkle with sachet powder. Using the ribbon, cover these, basting it in place and overcasting the two squares together to form the bottom of the bag. Allowing a heading 1 1/2 inches wide, stitch the narrow ribbon along the edge of the wider ribbon. Through this is run the drawing string. Gather the lower edge and stitch it to the covered square. Work an eyelet in each side of the bag at the top and run a narrow ribbon drawing string through it. The bag is then completed.

A stocking bag, which is practical and at the same time attractive, is made of flowered cretonne. Many lovely designs can be had in this material. Cut four strips 13 inches long by 6 1/2 wide. Then cut four others 6 1/2 inches wide by 4 1/2 deep. These are to form the outside pockets. Bind the upper edge with twilled tape and baste to the long strips, one on each large piece. Hem the other end of the strips to form a heading. Baste each strip inside and bind with tape. For the bottom of the bag cut a square of cretonne 6 1/2 inches wide.

To this paste the sides and bind with tape. Sew twelve ivory rings an inch apart around the top of the bag and through these slip heavy white cotton cord. Sew a button in the center of each side of the bag proper and make a corresponding buttonhole in the pocket. This serves to keep the contents in place.

A sewing bag is always appropriate for the woman who travels, and a pretty one is made in this manner: From cardboard cut an oval five inches long and neatly cover with figured silk or ribbon, whipping the edges with a fine needle and thread. Sew a strip of silk seven inches wide and long enough to encircle the oval. Sew a narrow piece of ribbon, allowing a heading three-quarters of an inch wide. Join the ends of the ribbon, French seam, and gather the lower edge. Stitch in the oval and run a narrow ribbon drawing string through the top. Block the bag with a small needlebook containing mixed needles and a bodkin, containing hooks and eyes, buttons and safety pins, a spool each of white and black thread and a thimble. Around the edge of the oval stick white and black pins. A bag of this description will prove a "friend in need" upon many occasions.

Odd lengths of ribbon can be purchased at the remnant counter for the proverbial song, and the bag will cost but a small sum. These bags find a ready sale at bazaars, so if your church intends giving one, supply the needlework counter with plenty of heading bags.

How to Transfer

HERE are suggestions for transferring the pattern before you start to any material before working. Perhaps the easiest way is the "twelve-penny" method. This is successful when the material is thin, like linen, batiste, etc. Pin the sheet of paper and the material together and hold them up against the glass of a window. With a sharp pencil draw on the paper and turn the other side to the fabric. The strong light behind will make it plain.

If you have carbon paper, you should use it. The way is to place the pattern and the newspaper. The latter is on top. With a sharp pencil go over the outline of the design. The carbon will be left in fine lines and will last until the work is finished. It is successful on heavy material.

It is a good plan to choose openwork designs when embroidering the lingerie covering, as they are extremely attractive over the colored silk.

Round, oblong, oval, crescent and diamond-shaped pincushions can be made in this manner. Any woman would be delighted to receive a pretty little pincushion, and the design given will be transferred without difficulty. Sewing the way is easy.

Gift Towels

HAND-EMBROIDERED towels are the joy of every woman's heart and are the most welcome addition to her linen closet; the bride is especially delighted with such articles of handwork which swell her collection of snowy linens; the business girl and the one who attends boarding school would be charmed with a gift of this sort; so when in doubt embroider a towel.

The embroidered initial is used almost universally to mark fine linen and it is an effective addition which costs but a few pennies in damask and fine huckaback showing a design arranged to form a wreath inclosing a space on which to embroider the monogram.

When embroidering the letters they should first be carefully and heavily padded so that they will stand out in bold relief when finished.

Beautiful towels are sold in damask and fine huckaback showing a design arranged to form a wreath inclosing a space on which to embroider the monogram.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS OF STOCKS AND BONDS

NEWS SUMMARY AFFECTING MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—Wilson is considering a plan to get the "men higher up" in the legislation. The postal authorities do not think the express business will be absorbed. B. R. T. now controls Brooklyn's traffic. A dissolution agreement with the New Haven is near. The New Haven bond hearing in Boston due today. The United Shoe Machinery Company is ready to give up its monopoly. Over 1,000 banks apply for membership in the federal reserve system. The bank being from New York city. Frisco receivers may sue the president and former directors. Vice-President Marshall says the trusts should be given a fair chance. Low stocks forecast an early buying movement. The market as a whole may pause any time on the recovery, and daily traders ought not to climb for stocks. There is a transfer from Reading and issues that have advanced rapidly, into a line such as medium priced stocks including Southern Pacific, Erie, B. & O., St. Paul and good copper stocks aside from Amal. Copper. There is a tendency to follow specialty operations, where pool activity begins to manifest itself. Low priced issues are coming into favor also. Investment absorption continues to be found in such stocks as G. N. Q., N. P., U. P., L. and N. and S. P. Outside buying in the stock market is further increasing and inquiries indicate a gain in the restoration of confidence. Rumors of negotiations for private settlements are in circulation, relating to the locked in position of the large bear operators who have been selling for months.

N. Y. FINANCIAL BUREAU.

CLOSING LETTER ON COTTON MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—The steadier work which developed in the cotton market as soon as the heavy liquidation of last Monday had spent its course appeared in evidence this morning. The opening was steady at 2 points advance and active months sold about 9 to 15 points net higher during the morning or back to the best level reached last Wednesday. There was a moderately active business. Trading in fact seemed to be more active than is usual on Saturday in the winter holidays, but there were more indications of covering or shifting switches than any broadening demand for long account.

W. W. PRITCHARD.

PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Dec. 28.—CORN—American No. 2 yellow, 74 to 75.
 OATS—Canadian western No. 2, 41 1/2 to 42; No. 3, 40 1/2 to 41.
 FLOUR—Man. spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.40; seconds, \$4.90; strong bakers, \$4.70; winter patents, choice, \$4.75 to \$5; straight rollers, \$4.50 to \$4.60; straight-rollers, bakers, \$2 to \$2.10.
 MILLFEEDS—Bran, \$20 to \$21; shorts, \$22 to \$23; middlings, \$25 to \$26; moultie, \$27 to \$31.
 HAY—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$13.50 to \$15.
 POTATOES—75 to 90.

NEWSPAPERS ON THE MARKET SITUATION

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—Commercial-Commission houses report little improvement in buying by the public. Herald—As a result of bear operations the short interest is considerably increased. American—Later on the public is expected to come in but it rarely buys stocks until the advance is well underway.
 Sun—Speculative sentiment is mixed with a leaning toward a further price improvement on the part of professionals which is offset to some extent by scepticism over the basis of the upturn expressed in certain banking quarters.

F. B. McCURDY.

LONDON MARKET.

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 Opening—84 1/2; Bo 92 1/2; CPR 20 1/2; Co 60 1/2; Erie 28 1/2; Cen 92 1/2; NK 10 1/2; Np 110 1/2; Pa 109 1/2; Rg 109 1/2; RI 13 1/2; Sp 90 1/2; St 100 1/2; UP 156 1/2; AC 74 1/2; Braz 82 1/2 to 83 1/2; Cement 27 1/2; DI 35 to 36. New account. Market lower on stiff money, with special pressure against C. P. R. UP strong, 1914, to shareholders has been declared as follows:
 On the Preferred Stock 1 1/2 p. c. per annum at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.
 The Stock transfer books will be closed from the 24th to the 31st inst. inclusive. By order of the Board.
 S. E. ELKIN, General Manager.

CURRENT PRICES OF NEW YORK EXCHANGE

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)		(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.)	
Am Cop	Previous High Low Close	Am Cop	Previous High Low Close
Am Car and F	44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2	Am Car and F	44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2
Am Can	30 1/2 30 1/2 30 1/2 30 1/2	Am Can	30 1/2 30 1/2 30 1/2 30 1/2
Am Can Pfd 91	107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2	Am Can Pfd 91	107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2
Am Loco	28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2	Am Loco	28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2
Am Sm and R	64 1/2 64 1/2 64 1/2 64 1/2	Am Sm and R	64 1/2 64 1/2 64 1/2 64 1/2
Am T and T	123 1/2 123 1/2 123 1/2 123 1/2	Am T and T	123 1/2 123 1/2 123 1/2 123 1/2
Am Sug	107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2	Am Sug	107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2 107 1/2
Am Cop	35 1/2 35 1/2 35 1/2 35 1/2	Am Cop	35 1/2 35 1/2 35 1/2 35 1/2
Atchafalaya	94 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2	Atchafalaya	94 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2 94 1/2
Halt and Ohio	92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2	Halt and Ohio	92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2
B R T	83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2	B R T	83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2 83 1/2
Chic and NW	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2	Chic and NW	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2
Ches and Ohio	60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2	Ches and Ohio	60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2
Cent Leath	27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2	Cent Leath	27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2
Chic and St P	100 1/2 100 1/2 100 1/2 100 1/2	Chic and St P	100 1/2 100 1/2 100 1/2 100 1/2
Del and Hud	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2	Del and Hud	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2
Erie	28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2	Erie	28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2 28 1/2
Erie, 1st Pfd	44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2	Erie, 1st Pfd	44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2 44 1/2
Gen Elec	140 1/2 140 1/2 140 1/2 140 1/2	Gen Elec	140 1/2 140 1/2 140 1/2 140 1/2
Gr Nor Pfd	127 1/2 127 1/2 127 1/2 127 1/2	Gr Nor Pfd	127 1/2 127 1/2 127 1/2 127 1/2
Gr Nor Ord	34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2	Gr Nor Ord	34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2 34 1/2
Int Harvest	102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2	Int Harvest	102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2 102 1/2
Ill Cent	109 1/2 109 1/2 109 1/2 109 1/2	Ill Cent	109 1/2 109 1/2 109 1/2 109 1/2
Int Met	154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2	Int Met	154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2
Lahiro Val	151 1/2 151 1/2 151 1/2 151 1/2	Lahiro Val	151 1/2 151 1/2 151 1/2 151 1/2
Nevada Con	154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2	Nevada Con	154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2 154 1/2
Kans City So	24 1/2 24 1/2 24 1/2 24 1/2	Kans City So	24 1/2 24 1/2 24 1/2 24 1/2
Miss Pac	23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2	Miss Pac	23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2
N Y Cent	92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2	N Y Cent	92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2 92 1/2
Nor Pac	110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2	Nor Pac	110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2 110 1/2
Nor and West 102	101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2	Nor and West 102	101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2 101 1/2
New Haven	75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2	New Haven	75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2 75 1/2
Penn	108 1/2 108 1/2 108 1/2 108 1/2	Penn	108 1/2 108 1/2 108 1/2 108 1/2
People's Gas	121 1/2 121 1/2 121 1/2 121 1/2	People's Gas	121 1/2 121 1/2 121 1/2 121 1/2
Pr Steel Car	27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2	Pr Steel Car	27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2 27 1/2
Ry Steel Sp	25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2	Ry Steel Sp	25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2 25 1/2
Reading	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2	Reading	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2
Rep Ir and SU	20 1/2 20 1/2 20 1/2 20 1/2	Rep Ir and SU	20 1/2 20 1/2 20 1/2 20 1/2
Rock Isl	89 1/2 89 1/2 89 1/2 89 1/2	Rock Isl	89 1/2 89 1/2 89 1/2 89 1/2
So Pac	90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	So Pac	90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2
St Paul	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2	St Paul	126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2 126 1/2
Tex and Pac	23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2	Tex and Pac	23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2 23 1/2
Un Pac	156 1/2 156 1/2 156 1/2 156 1/2	Un Pac	156 1/2 156 1/2 156 1/2 156 1/2
U S Rub	57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2	U S Rub	57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2 57 1/2
U S Steel	60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2	U S Steel	60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2 60 1/2
U S Steel Pfd	106 1/2 106 1/2 106 1/2 106 1/2	U S Steel Pfd	106 1/2 106 1/2 106 1/2 106 1/2
West Union	58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2	West Union	58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2
Westing Elec	66 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2	Westing Elec	66 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2 66 1/2
Sales 11 a. m.	100,500 shares;	Sales 11 a. m.	100,500 shares;
noon, 185,500 total.		noon, 185,500 total.	

DOW JONES CO'S SUMMARY OF NEWS

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—Storm in New York State lies up traffic. Industrial companies report new high records of production in 1913. Attorney General of Missouri sues Price for \$2 million excess rates charged since beginning of Missouri suit litigation. Commerce agencies say that evidence of optimism as to outlook in trade circles are numerous. Failures this week 283 against 378 last week. Reserve banking organization committee to four United States to ascertain views of business men and bankers as to best division of country into federal districts. Public utilities make good records for 1913. Adams Express Company notifies stockholders that continuance of present rate of dividends will probably not hereafter be warranted. London settlement began today. Twelve Industrials advanced 0.51 per cent. Twenty Active falls declined 0.18 per cent. DOW JONES & CO.

MORNING LETTER ON STOCK MARKET

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—The stability of the stock market was tested yesterday by a large volume of profit-taking and the action of the general list reflected a gratifying power of absorption. There can be no doubt that a feeling of optimism is growing in both financial and investment demand for stocks and to minimize the current reactionary trend of business. Thus far the advance in securities has reflected largely the retirement of short contracts, and when this interest has been eliminated it is quite possible that prices will suffer some setback. In such a contingency, however, it looks as if good stocks could be bought for substantial profits.

LAIDLAW & CO.

NEW PRESIDENT OF THE SWISS

Colonel Dr. Arthur Hoffman, of St. Gall, has been elected President of the Swiss Confederation for 1914, is fifty-six years old and is at present Vice President of the Republic and chief of the Military Department. He is a radical democrat.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

MARITIME MAIL COMPANY, LTD.
 Notice is hereby given that dividend in respect of the current quarter payable on the second day of January, 1914, to shareholders has been declared as follows:
 On the Preferred Stock 1 1/2 p. c. per annum at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.
 The Stock transfer books will be closed from the 24th to the 31st inst. inclusive. By order of the Board.
 S. E. ELKIN, General Manager.

LITTLE SPECULATIVE DEALING ON THE MARKET SATURDAY

New York, Dec. 26.—Speculative activity diminished in a marked extent today and there was no sign of the vigorous demand which characterized the advance of the past week. It was evident the short covering on the rise had temporarily weakened the technical position of the market. The effect of further realizing sales was increased by scattered selling by bears, who contended that the upturn had been too rapid. The market eased off under this selling, but the undertone was good, and except in a few cases losses were restricted to small amounts. Resumption of trading in London after the holidays had little influence on this market, except in the case of Canadian Pacific, the decline in which was due largely to foreign selling. The price dropped to 207 1/2, the lowest figure of the year, and a loss of nearly sixty points from the high price of 1913. London also sold some Union Pacific and Steel, but its offerings were not heavy. Aside from the decline in C. P. R., the only substantial

LAIDLAW & CO'S CLOSING STOCK LETTER

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—Today's stock market seemed to have lost an element of technical strength as a result of the recent substantial recovery and whether it was the holiday influence or a revival of timidity on the part of the professional element in the general buying power was considerably impaired. Large banking interests are none too anxious to precipitate a bull speculation until the financial prospect, under the new currency system has become clearly outlined, but there is nevertheless a sentiment of mild optimism prevalent in these circles. The more favorable character of recent developments at Washington has also stimulated a better inquiry from the public which might at any time broaden into a substantial investment demand. The cultivation of another short interest would not hurt the prospect for higher security prices after the turn of the year, and it looks as if good stock may be bought on all fair reactions.

LAIDLAW & CO.

STOCK NOTES OF NEW YORK MARKET

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 Buying orders two or three points under the market are understood to be accumulating at the view of the receivers manifests itself. Pool activities are promised, and evidence is had of their operation in low priced falls. The Boston bear crowd is said to be badly locked up in Steel and Reading. They are buying copper to hedge.

N. Y. FINANCIAL BUREAU.

BANK OF ENGLAND STATEMENT.

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)	
Circulation	229,361,000
Public deposits	9,421,000
Private deposits	42,072,000
Govt securities	11,189,000
Other securities	25,930,000
Reserve	22,187,000
Proportion	43.07 p. c.
Bullion	31,497,000
Last week—	
Circulation	228,785,000
Public deposits	8,028,000
Private deposits	37,464,000
Govt securities	11,169,000
Other securities	27,018,000
Reserve	25,075,000
Proportion	55.10 p. c.
Bullion	33,819,000

"STANFIELD'S EARNINGS"

Figures usually are dry and uninteresting things, but when used in connection with the earnings of a Company in whose securities one contemplates making an investment they put on another appearance. The profits of Stanfield's, Limited, before payment of interest for the past five years were as follows:

1908	1909	1910	1911	1912
\$98,279	\$94,852	\$118,517	\$127,612	\$149,406

The amount required for bonds interest is \$30,000. We offer a block of bonds in lots to suit purchasers. Prices upon application.

F. B. McCURDY & CO.
 MEMBERS MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.
 105 PRINCE WILLIAM ST.

QUOTATIONS FOR THE MARITIME SECURITIES

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)	
Miscellaneous.	Asked. Bid.
Acadia Fire	100 80
Acadia Sugar Pfd	100 95
Acadia Sugar Ord	95 80
Brand-Head Com	35 20
C. B. Electric Com	32 1/2 27 1/2
East. Can. Sav. & Loan	145 125
Eastern Trust	150 145
Halifax Fire	100 95
Maritime Tel. Com.	84 84
Maritime Tel. Pfd.	100 100
N. B. Telephone	112 110
N. B. Atlantic Fisheries	25 25
N. B. Car 1st Pfd	84 85 1/2
N. B. Car 2nd Pfd	70 68
N. B. Car 3rd Pfd	40 38
N. B. Clay Works	30 30
N. B. Clay Works Pfd	40 30
Stanfield's Pfd	103 100
Stanfield's Com	70 65
Trin. Cons. Tel. Com.	30 30
Trinidad Electric	72 72

CLOSING STOCK LETTER FROM RANDOLPH

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)
 New York, Dec. 27.—The stock market has been reactionary throughout the day, apparently on realizing sales over the general rule. On the other hand, Canadian Pacific was the weakest stock on the list. It has not behaved well lately. It has been under a steady pressure of foreign sales ever since the recent bond issue. The actual bank statement was not as good as expected. On the whole the market stood the realising sales well. Certainly, since the passing of the currency bill, trading has broadened in all stocks, and the tone of the market list today has been decidedly strong. This reaction is due and natural. Total sales 182,000; bonds \$1,023,000.

E. & C. RANDOLPH.

NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.

(J. C. MACKINTOSH & CO.)	
Average	
Loans inc	\$12,726,000
Specie dec	2,270,000
Legal tenders inc	372,000
Deposits inc	13,520,000
Reserve dec	5,020,000
Actual—	
Loans inc	11,719,000
Specie dec	7,300,000
Legal tenders inc	993,000
Deposits inc	3,648,000
Reserve dec	8,066,000

DOW JONES & CO.

CLOSING PRICES OF BOSTON STOCKS

(F. B. McCURDY & CO.)	
Asked. Bid.	Asked. Bid.
Adventure	1 1/2 1 1/4
Alouez	2 1/2 2 1/4
Arcadian	2 1/2 2 1/4
Arizona Comm	4 1/2 4 1/4
Cal and Ariz	63 1/2 63 1/4
Cal and Hecla	435 425
Centennial	15 1/2 15 1/4
Copper Range	37 36 1/2
Daly West	3 2 1/2
East Butte	11 1/2 11 1/4
Franklin	3 1/2 3 1/4
Granby	74 73 1/2
Greene ananea	30 29 1/2
Hancock	17 1/2 17 1/4
Helvetia	50 49 1/2
Indiana	4 1/2 4 1/4
Inspiration	15 1/2 15 1/4
Ile Royale	20 19 1/2
LaSalle Copper	4 3 1/2
Michigan	21 1/2 21 1/4
Miami	22 1/2 22 1/4
Mass Gas Cos	90 89 1/2
Mass Gas Cos Pfd	90 89 1/2
Nipissing	28 1/2 28 1/4
North Butte	51 1/2 51 1/4
Old Dominion	57 56 1/2
Quincy	62 61 1/2
Sup and Boston	213 1/2 213 1/4
Shoe Machy	54 1/2 54 1/4
Shoe Machy Pfd	28 1/2 28 1/4
Superior Copper	26 1/2 26 1/4
Swift	104 103 1/2
Tamarack	31 30 1/2
Trinity	4 1/2 4 1/4
U S M and Smeit	41 1/2 41 1/4
U S M and Smeit Pfd	48 1/2 48 1/4
Utah Apex	2 1/2 2 1/4
United Fruit	162 160 1/2
Winona	2 1/2 2 1/4
Wolverine	46 1/2 46 1/4

BOSTON CURB STOCKS.

Bay State Gas	20 19
Boston Ely	46 40

FOOTBALL ATHLETIC BOWLING

HOCKEY IN UPPER CANADA ON SATURDAY

Quebec, Dec. 28.—In one of the best and fastest exhibitions of amateur hockey seen for some time in this city the Laurentide Club signalled its debut in the Inter-Provincial ranks last night by defeating the St. Patrick's Club by a score of three goals to two. The score is a pretty fair indication of the play, which was close and well contested until the finish. Line-up:

St. Patrick's	Goal.	Laurentide
Boivin	Point.	Demers
J. Malone	Cover.	S. D'Amour
Rousseau	Right.	J. Walsh
Derouin	Left.	Gignac
Ramsay	Centre.	G. Roy
Carey	Rover.	Angers
Rooney	Goal.	E. Roy

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Professional hockey enjoyed a genuine revival Saturday night, when the opening game of the N. H. A. took place at the Laurier avenue rink. Good weather favored the date with a fast sheet of ice, and the crowd was the largest in three years, nearly 6,500 people being present. The game was fast and exciting, but unfortunately the home team did not win. Ottawa and Quebec battled the excitement, and the visitors were victorious by a score of three to two. The teams lined up as follows:

Ottawa	Position	Quebec
Lesueur	Point	Moran
Merrill	Left Wing	Hall
Shore	Cover	Producers
Ronan	Right Wing	Malone
Broadbent	Centre	Marks
Darraeh	Goal	Smith

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Playing tag with their opponents from start to finish, the Wanderers ushered in the local hockey season at the Arena on Saturday night with a 10 to 3 victory over the Ontarios of Toronto. The winners never left any doubt in the minds of the three thousand persons who witnessed the match as to which was the better team. They assumed a commanding lead in the early stages and maintained it to the end to win easily.

Both teams made many changes during the play, the locals to try out one or two new men who may have been the Ontarios to strengthen their team in an effort to overcome their opponents' lead. Both teams started out at a killing pace and only the changes made enabled them to carry it through for lack of condition told at times on both teams.

The Ontarios played in an unfinished manner and when the puck was carried into their opponents' territory by a player there was no one to help him out. Their shooting was weak and lacked the accuracy of their opponents, which accounted for numerous chances to score being tossed away. The Ontarios line had never played together and depended altogether on their individual rushes. Carl Kendall and George O'Grady who were tried out for the first time with the Wanderers are both promising players and will serve as good substitutes for the regulars during the season.

The teams lined up as follows:

Wanderers	Goal.	Ontarios
Nicholson	Point	Rankin
Ross	Left Wing	McNamara
S. Cleghorn	Right Wing	G. McNamara
Russell	Centre	H. Scott
O. Cleghorn	Goal	Vair
G. Roberts	Goal	McDonald

WITH OXFORD EIGHTS

"Jeff" Taylor the former Toronto Arronaut oarsman, is the heaviest man in either of the Oxford trial eights. Indeed he is one of two of the candidates who scale over thirteen stone. He is rowing at 13st. 6 lb. while Horsley, next in weight, is at 13st. 1 lb.

The crews are very even as regards pace as has been shown by numerous races prior to the final trial. The crew winning this event is not necessarily selected as the Oxford representative against Cambridge. The best men are selected from both boats.

The final trial was declared "no race," when the boat in which Taylor rowed came into collision with the other. The Toronto man is rowing No. 4, the crew being stroked by A. M. Bown. The result of the trial is of no moment to the authorities. Taylor is regarded by English experts as a very likely selection for the Oxford boat. The average weight of the crews is 168 lb. Taylor is at 188.

CUPID NABS PACKEY.

It has been learned that Packey McFarland, the pugilist, is engaged to marry Miss Margaret Loughran of Joliet, Ill. The news came in letters to friends and former classmates of Miss Loughran. The time of the wedding was not mentioned, but it is expected that it will occur within two months.

Miss Loughran is a graduate of St. Mary's college, Notre Dame, having taken high honors at that institution with the class of 1904.

McFarland met Miss Loughran at Notre Dame. Several years ago McFarland decided to study law and entered the law department of Notre Dame university. During social activities in which the students of the two schools mingled Miss Loughran and McFarland met.

HOCKEY PRACTICE

There will be a practice for the senior hockey team in the Queen's Rink at 8.30 o'clock tonight.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH FOOTBALL FOR TWO DAYS

London, Dec. 28.—English Saturday football results:

First Division.
Aston Villa 0; Bradford City 1.
Liverpool 3; Blackburn Rovers 2.
Manchester United 2; Sheffield Wednesday 1.
Middlesboro 2; Manchester City 0.
Newcastle United 2; Sunderland 1.
Oldham Athletic 3; Bolton Wanderers 0.
Preston North End 1; Everton 0.
Sheffield United 2; Derby County 2.
Tottenham Hotspur 1; Chelsea 2.

Second Division.
Barnsley 1; Lincoln City 0.
Bradford 3; Birmingham 1.
Bury 2; Huddersfield Town 1.
Fulham 2; Clapton Orient 0.
Glossop 1; Leeds City 1.
Leicester Fosse 1; Woolwich Arsenal 2.
Stockport County 5; Bristol City 1.
Wolverhampton 4; Notts Forest 1.

Southern League.
Bristol Rovers 2; Merthyr Town 1.
Swindon Town 4; West Ham United 1.
Cardiff City 2; Plymouth Argyle 1.
Exeter City 2; Southampton 0.
Millwall Athletic 1; Reading 0.
Portsmouth 1; Crystal Palace 1.
Brighton and Hove Albion 2; Coventry City 2.
South End United 1; Watford 0.
Northampton 1; Norwich City 1.
Queen's Park Rangers 0; Gillingham 0.

Rugby Results.
Leicester 26; Jedforest 5.
Richmond 3; Lorentians 3.
Newport 14; Barbarians 0.
Blackbath 9; Harlequins 6.
Manchester 17; Liverpool 3.
Gloucester 0; Cheltenham 0.
Glasgow, Dec. 28.—Saturday, Scottish football results:

Queen's Park 2; Aberdeen 2.
Airdrieonians 2; Hearts 2.
Ayr United 0; Celtic 6.
Clyde 0; Dumbarton 0.
Raith Rovers 4; Dundee 1.

HOCKEY IN CLEVELAND.
Cleveland, Dec. 28.—Cleveland A.O. 3; University of Ottawa, 1.

Morton 6; Falkirk 0.
Rangers 3; Hamilton 0.
Hibernians 1; Third Lanark 0.
Kilmarnock 2; Partick Thistle 0.
Motherwell 3; St. Mirren 0.

Scotch Cup, Qualifying Final.
Albion Rovers 3; Dundee Hibernians 0.
London, Dec. 26.—English football results on Christmas:

First Division.
Aston Villa 0; Sheffield United 0.
Bradford City 2; Newcastle United 0.
Everton 1; Manchester United 0.
Manchester City 1; Liverpool 0.
Preston North End 1; Blackburn Rovers 1.
Sheffield Wednesday 0; Chelsea 0.
Sunderland 1; Birmingham 1.
Tottenham Hotspur 0; Middlesboro 1.
West Bromwich Albion 2; Oldham Athletic 2.

Second Division.
Barnsley 2; Bury 0.
Bristol City 3; Clapton Orient 0.
Fulham 0; Leeds City 1.
Glossop 4; Birmingham 1.
Hull City 4; Huddersfield Town 1.
Lincoln City 3; Leicester Fosse 0.
Notts Forest 1; Notts County 0.
Stockport County 2; Brimsby Town 2.
Wolverhampton Wanderers 1; Blackpool 0.
Woolwich Arsenal 2; Bradford 0.
Gillingham 3; Watford 0.
Merthyr Town 2; Cardiff City 2.
Exeter City 1; West Ham U. 1.
Plymouth Argyle 1; Millwall Athletic 0.
Southampton 4; Portsmouth 3.
Reading 2; Brighton and Hove Albion 1.
Crystal Palace 0; South End United 0.
Northampton 0; Coventry City 0.
Gillingham 3; Watford 0.
Norwich City 2; Queens Park Rangers 2.

Rugby Results
Leicester 26; Birkenhead 8.
Cardiff 20; Barbarians 3.
Newport 2; Watsonians 0.

VICTORIA OPENS TONIGHT.
Grand opening at Victoria Rink tonight. Ice in good condition. Band in attendance.

"KID" OF SEVENTY TO WALK A THOUSAND MILES



"DAN" O'LEARY

"Dan" O'Leary, the veteran pedestrian, still has the walking fever, even if he is seventy years old. He is busy arranging for a contest to be held in Los Angeles next April, which will be open to Weston, Ennis, Hoagland and O'Meara and others who have good records to their credit. O'Leary, who is unquestionably the fastest heel and toe walker among all pedestrians, besides being the most graceful, says that he feels as buoyant now as he did in his palmest days.

The walk proposed by O'Leary is to be one thousand miles straightaway, and he hopes to see it covered in twelve or thirteen days.

BILLIARDS RECORD.

A new record has been established at Derby, by W. Smith of Darlington, in his match at 8,000 up with E. C. Breed of Derby, to whom he is conceding 2,000 start.

Smith carried an unfinished break of 146 to 150 to begin with and afterwards made 107.

Going on again he played in fine style and easily beat Stevenson's world record break of 354 off the red with ivory balls. Smith lost the white when he had made 8, and at the close of the afternoon session he was in play with an unfinished break of 515. Keeping the red near the centre of the table, he obtained losers in the middle pocket with almost machine-like accuracy. Twice he had to play a winner, and was occasionally compelled to force into the top pockets. His run of 524 was a wonderful performance with ivory balls, 516 off the red under these conditions being altogether unparalleled.

JOE TINKER AND BROWN ARE FEDERALERS

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Joe Tinker, former manager of the Cincinnati National League Club, and Mordcael Brown, Cincinnati player, today signed three years contract with the Federal League. Tinker will manage the Chicago club and Brown will manage the St. Louis club.

George Stovall, formerly of Cleveland, and last year manager of the St. Louis American League club, signed to manage the Kansas City club next year. Larry Schaefer, with the Jersey City club of the International League will manage the Buffalo club, and William Phillips, a former Cincinnati player, but out of baseball for several years, will go to Indianapolis as manager. The franchise recently voted Cleveland was forfeited and awarded to Toronto.

James Gilmore, president of the Federal League, announced that each Federal club would contain at least five players who appeared last year with either the National or American Leagues. The full roster of the players, he said, would be announced within a few days. Well advertised players from these leagues, he said, had been chosen to manage the Toronto, Baltimore and Pittsburgh teams. The amount any player is to receive from the new league was not made public by Mr. Gilmore.

It was stated that Tinker was to receive \$36,000 for three years service.

SPORT IN BRIEF.

It is understood that H. W. Stevenson, T. Reece and G. Gray have all challenged M. Inman for the English billiard championship.

In the Scottish National A. C. Glasgow, Alexander Lafferty, Aldrie, bantamweight champion of Scotland, defeated Nat Brooks, London, on points.

The English Soccer international forward Harold Fleming, says the great test fault in connection with present day football is the weakness of our referees.

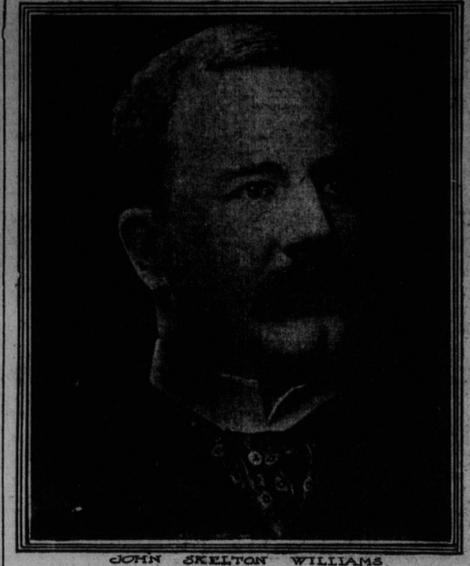
The committee of the National Sporting Club, London, appointed a sub-committee to meet the Army and Navy Boxing Association with a view to forming a National Boxing Board for the purpose of controlling boxing in the United Kingdom.

George Sayers, the well known professional golfer, died suddenly at his residence at North Berwick, Sayers, who was a younger brother of Ben Sayers and about 60 years of age, had taught and played golf with the present King, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, and other distinguished people, including Mr. Balfour and Lord Curzon.

Toronto, 3; Canadians, 0.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—In the opening game of the National Hockey Association season at the arena on Saturday night, victory rested with Toronto who beat the Canadians of Montreal by 3 to 0. It was expected that the big rink would be crowded, but there was considerably less than a packed house to see the game.

MAN FAVORED BY PRESIDENT WILSON FOR CONTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY



JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS

That President Wilson intends to nominate John Skelton Williams, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to be Controller of the Currency, which will be one of the most powerful offices in the government under the new currency system, was indicated in Washington. This brought forth a positive statement that the choice would meet with vigorous opposition in the Senate.

THOMAS A LECTURER.

Ira Thomas, one of Connie Mack's lieutenants, has entered the lecture field. The veteran backstop, who was passed along by the Yankees to Detroit, where he was in world's series company, but not on the long end of the money, and thence slipped to Philadelphia, made his debut at a dinner tendered the Athletics by citizens of Philadelphia. Since then his services have been in demand.

Most of the addresses made by Thomas have been before men's and boys' societies of churches and in clubs. He is a clear living athlete and has a splendid stock of stories of inside baseball.

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TORONTO BEATEN IN BOSTON

Boston, Dec. 27.—The Boston Athletic Association won an easy victory from Toronto University in a hockey game at the Arena tonight, six to one. The local seven team-play carried the puck repeatedly into the Canadians' territory, where shots by Hicks, Sorwell and Osgood of Boston proved effective. Toronto depended on individual brilliancy, which proved ineffective when opposed by the local defense.

CICOTTE HAS NOT SIGNED UP

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 27.—Pitcher Eddie Cicotte, of the Chicago Americans, admitted to local sport writers that he had not signed his 1914 contract because the salary which President Caskey offered him was unsatisfactory. Cicotte has not commented, so far as can be learned, on any action the Players' Fraternity may be taking in the matter.

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REV. MR. BERRIE RECEIVES PURSE AND ADDRESS FROM FRIENDS ON EVE OF DEPARTURE—WORK APPRECIATED.

Woodstock, N. B., Dec. 26.—Upwards of one hundred friends of Rev. A. C. and Mrs. Berrie gathered at the Baptist parsonage on Monday evening last to show their appreciation to their beloved pastor and his esteemed lady, Mrs. Berrie, for their services of Christian love and spiritual guidance during their stay in our midst, both in the church and in their home.

As the reverend gentleman is about to sever his connection with the United Baptist church in this town, it was with a feeling of sadness more than one of gladness that the company assembled left at this festive season.

Mr. and Mrs. Berrie have while here made many friends who will be sorry to part with them, and the people in general will regret very much losing so able a preacher, and such general kind hearted and loyal Christian citizens as Rev. Mr. Berrie.

The church of which he has been pastor has never prospered more, both financially and spiritually, than it has under Rev. Mr. Berrie's pastorate.

During the evening solos were rendered by Rev. A. C. Berrie and M. H. Bailey in a very pleasing manner.

Many clergymen were present from other churches, including Rev. Mr. Blakeney, who offered a very touching and appropriate prayer.

Rev. Mr. King, Rev. Mr. Stairs and Rev. Frank Baird, all spoke in the highest terms of their associations with the Rev. Mr. Berrie.

Rev. Mr. Baird said that he and Mrs. Baird were very sorry, as well as all present, to lose a neighbor as well as a friend. They had always cooperated in all their work.

At this point U. R. Hanson on behalf of those present, cannot help feeling grieved at your decision. During two years of successful leadership among us, in which every branch of the work has prospered even to a good substantial reduction on the church debt, you have won our love and esteem.

Knowing something of your strength of character and conscientiousness as a Christian minister, we are persuaded that your decision was actuated by such cause as would appeal to all.

We, your friends and supporters cannot part with you without showing to you our heartfelt appreciation of your services among us.

We more fully appreciate your teaching and sermons from the fact that you took the Bible as your guide and spoke to the masses and to the classes, showing yourself to be an able exponent of the good word of God.

In conclusion, we here assembled, wish to extend to you and your esteemed lady, Mrs. Berrie, our best wishes for your future welfare and prosperity in the Master's work.

Accompanying our best wishes, we have the honor of presenting to you, on behalf of your friends this purse of money.

DEA. THEO. MCKINNEY, DEA. CLYNN CRONKITE, DEA. F. L. OLMSTEAD, DEA. U. R. HANSON, (Signed) Committee.

In thanking those present as well as those absent, and the pastors of other churches for their kind words, he said that he appreciated very much this splendid token of good will and esteem, not so much for the gift as for the spirit which prompted the gift. He was pleased that some had found the Lord through his ministry, and was glad for evidence that others had been more fully established in the faith. He knew, however, of some who had been almost persuaded to step over the line, but because of evil influences they had deferred the matter and were still, he feared, outside of the Kingdom. But his conscience was clear, he had tried to do his duty.

Mr. Berrie's plans for the future are unknown. It is thought, however, that he will supply churches when and where possible, for the winter, and that he may go west in the early spring.

A quartette composed of Dr. Baker, M. H. Bailey, C. E. Watson and A. E. Burden sang several selections, which were much appreciated; after which a social hour was spent. Refreshments were then served and the company dispersed after singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," and wishing Rev. Mr. Berrie and family the season's compliments.

DAIHOUSIE CHURCHES HAD SPECIAL MUSIC

Fine Weather and Appropriate Services on Christmas Day—Entertainment Suitable to the Season.

Dalhousie, Dec. 26.—Christmas Day was very quietly spent here. In the churches there were appropriate services in the morning. During the afternoon and evening skating was indulged in by the young people, the Star Theatre put on a good programme of pictures in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Magee and family of Moncton are spending the season's holidays with Mrs. Magee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Hurd.

Miss Rosalind Ferguson, student at McGill University, is spending her vacation with her parents, Dr. A. G. and Mrs. Ferguson.

Gregor McKenzie of Montreal is home for a few days' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Storey and son spent yesterday with Mrs. Storey's parents in Bathurst.

On Monday evening a Sunday school session was held in the basement of the St. John's Presbyterian church. A good number attended and a suitable programme of Christmas music and recitations was carried out.

Miss Mollie Doherty of the Private Western Hospital, Montreal, is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. David Ritchie, who has been critically ill for several weeks. We are pleased to note that Mrs. Ritchie's condition is improving.

Raymond Harquail, student at Carleton College, is spending his vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. Edward Harquail.

Clarence Robinson of the Royal Bank of Canada at Bathurst, spent his Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Delaney.

Mr. Fred Barr, manager of the branch Bank of Nova Scotia here, spent Christmas Day in Chatham, N. B.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lennox are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby girl.

Gregor Harquail of the firm of J. B. and A. Harquail, Campbellton, spent Christmas Day with his grandmother, Mrs. Edward Harquail.

Alexander Cameron of the I. C. R. spent Christmas Day at his home here.

Mrs. Wm. Hamilton and Miss Jennie McLean of Charlottetown were the guests of their sister, Mrs. L. D. Jones on Friday.

Gordon Stewart of Toronto is the guest of his relatives here during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Charles Stewart is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Woodworth of Moncton.

Bernie Troy, who has been working on various contracts in Gaspe, is home for a short stay.

Miss Susie McPherson is spending her vacation with her brother at Charlottetown.

WIFE LEFT MAN AND MARRIED ANOTHER MAN

Resident of Presque Isle Alleges, in Libel Filed in Divorce Proceedings—Sensational Evidence Looked for.

Special to The Standard. Presque Isle, Me., Dec. 27.—One of the most sensational divorce cases to be heard in Maine for many years is to come up for trial at the February term of the Supreme Court in Houlton, when the action of Walter Welch of this town against his wife, Nora E. Welch, will be aired in public.

Owing to the fact that the parties in the suit are well known and that the charges are of a sensational nature, the case has excited great interest all through northern Maine.

Mr. Welch, in his libel which has been filed with the clerk of the Supreme Court for Aroostook county, says he was married in Presque Isle on July 8, 1901, and that he has always conducted himself as a faithful, true and affectionate husband.

Regardless of their marriage covenant, Mr. Welch says his wife deserted him without cause, on Sept. 11, 1909, and that the desertion has been continual up to the present date. He has contributed nothing to her support in the meantime, he says.

During the time they lived together as husband and wife, Mr. Welch says his wife told him repeatedly that she did not love him and that she had never known what love was until she met a certain man in his employ, whom Mr. Welch at once discharged.

Despite this he swears his wife told him she would leave her home and go with this man, that she intended to marry him. These statements, he says, were not only made to him personally many times, but also in the presence of friends and neighbors.

After leaving his home Mr. Welch charges that his wife went through a marriage ceremony with one Frank L. Johnston, at Brownville in Piscataquis county, on Christmas day, 1912. Since that time, he says, she has continued to live with Johnston. All this he so injured his health and peace of mind as to constitute cruel and abusive treatment, he claims.

Mr. Welch swears he is unaware of his wife's present whereabouts and that there is no collusion between them to obtain a divorce. He claims that she has obtained a divorce and allays her feverishness.

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CHRISTMAS CONCERT GREAT SUCCESS

Entertainment Given by Newcastle Band of Hope Draws Large Crowd—Presentation of Prizes.

Newcastle, Dec. 26.—The marriage of Elmer W. Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Allison, of Boom Road, to Miss Mary J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart, of the same place, was solemnized by Rev. J. F. McCurdy in the manse at Rebank last night.

The couple were united in a handsome suit of grey satin trimmed with cream lace and wore a black picture hat. Her going-away dress was of navy blue silk. A reception, attended by many guests, was held at the bride's home after the ceremony. The bride received many gifts, among them a rich silver table set and Mrs. Allison will make their home in Whiteville.

On Tuesday evening the ladies of Whiteville's Presbyterian church entertained at a social, in aid of the manse fund.

Newcastle Band of Hope, Sons of Temperance, held its Christmas tree entertainment at the Temperance Hall to night, where, in spite of the snow-storm raging, some 60 juvenile members were present. The superintendent, Blair W. Hutchinson, presided, and was assisted by several of the division members. The programme was as follows:

Chorus—Santa Claus is Coming, band. Reading—The Stocking's Xmas, Jack McKay. Recitation—Two Dolls, Katie Cassidy.

Reading—On the Sunny Side, Jack Nicholson. Reading—The Road to Heaven, Ella O'Donnell. Reading—Bed Time, Fred Malby. Repeating the pledge, band. Chorus, band. Address by chairman. Prizes for perfect attendance were awarded to Cecil O'Donnell, Earl Willis and Gordon Petrie, and Edwin A. and Eulah M. Stuart. These prizes were given by a prominent local banker. The Board of Directors gave a special prize to the organist, Helen MacMichael. Santa Claus then appeared and gave a bag of candy and fruit to each child present.

Organized labor, when it has produced, will right the wrongs of this topsy-turvy world of ours. This is the spoken conviction of W. S. Melton, the former president of the New England railroad system, at a recent meeting in New York. "Do you realize the power of organized labor?" Mr. Melton asked the meeting, chiefly composed of employees. "Do you realize that there is one thing that militates against you? That one thing is impudence and disloyalty. Without labor what is there of value in this world? When you can stand up in your own right, when you can agree on chosen representatives to speak for you, then the whole world is yours and the fruits thereof."

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Public Notice. THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed by the Common Council of the City of Saint John a committee of the said Council for conducting the sale of the Fisheries for the ensuing year, pursuant to law, hereby give notice that certain Fishery Lots along the east side of the Bay, River and Harbor, heretofore enjoyed and possessed by the inhabitants on the East side of the Harbor, with those in and surrounding Wyse Island, and also certain Fishery Lots on the Western side of the Harbor, will be sold Public Auction on TUESDAY, the SIXTH DAY OF JANUARY NEXT, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court House, in the City of Saint John, for the fishing season of the ensuing year, to end on the 15th day of December, 1914.

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate winds; mostly westerly; fair and not much change in temperature.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Light local snowfalls have occurred today in the Georgian Bay region and Northern Ontario and there have been showers on the British Columbia coast. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair. It has been comparatively mild in the western provinces and temperatures in Ontario have been somewhat higher in most localities.

Temperatures.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Vancouver, Kamloops, Battleford, Prince Albert, Medicine Hat, Moosejaw, Regina, Qu'Appelle, Winnipeg, Prince Arthur, Southampton, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, Halifax.

AROUND THE CITY

Key Found. A key found on Douglas avenue Saturday is at the North End police station.

Glove Found. A glove found on Prince William street can be secured by the owner at Central police station.

Refused to Pay. I.C.R. Police Officer Smith arrested John Smith on Saturday for refusing to pay his fare from Fredericton to St. John.

Sleigh Rug Found. William Thompson found a sleigh rug on Wentworth street Saturday. It is now at Central station where it can be secured by the owner.

Arrested for Assault. Officer James Power arrested John Lane on Saturday for assaulting Fred Lupe on Union street. A razor was discovered on the prisoner at Central station.

A Large Collection. It was announced from the pulpit in the Cathedral yesterday that \$754 was the amount collected for the orphans at the doors of the church on Christmas day.

A Fine Speaker. Rev. James Faulkner, professor of Bible literature at Pinehill, Halifax, was the speaker at this morning and evening services in St. Stephen's Presbyterian church yesterday. Big congregations attended both services and were well pleased with Professor Faulkner's subjects and the excellent manner in which they were handled.

Has New Position. E. Percy Howard, for the past ten years a member of the firm of Jarvis and Whiteaker, has tendered his resignation to take effect the end of the year, and has been appointed city agent of the Home Underwriters of New York. Mr. Howard, for the present, has taken desk room in the office of Messrs. White and Calkin, No. 107 Prince William street.

Church Hockey. The Y.M.A. in connection with the German street Baptist church have organized a hockey team and are desirous of clashing with some other church team. At present the different Y. M. A.'s in the city have hockey teams with some fast players enlisted, but a regular league has not been formed. It is proposed by the German street Baptist enthusiasts that the different young men's church associations get together and organize a league for the purpose of keeping hockey before the St. John public. The team from the German street Y.M.A. feel that they have a good strong aggregation, and are prepared to do business with any other church seven.

DELIVERS ADDRESS AT SEAMENS MISSION

More than two hundred sailors were present at the Christmas service in the Seamen's mission last evening when Rev. J. A. MacKellan, of St. David's Presbyterian Church, gave a very interesting address on Christmas. His words made a marked impression on those present. Hew Walker presided and there were several musical numbers. Tickets for the Christmas entertainment and dinner were distributed. This entertainment will take place tonight when it is expected that 500 men will be present. Comfort bags, which were supplied by members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, will be distributed. Rev. W. H. Barracough will deliver an address. The rooms at the mission have been tastefully decorated for the holiday festivities, and present a handsome appearance.

POLICE COURT

In the police court Saturday morning George Oleso, a Johnny at Conroy Bay, was fined \$8 for swearing and \$30 or three months in jail for fighting on Water street.

One prisoner, charged with drunkenness in the depot was fined \$8 or two months in jail. Three other drunks were remanded.

Henry O'Leary, who was arrested for drunkenness on British street, and is charged with violent resistance, pleaded not guilty. He was remanded with the others.

The case against John Jackson (colored), who was arrested on December 23rd for assaulting a young girl on Brussels street, came up for hearing but was postponed for witnesses.

MAIL RECORD ESTABLISHED AT SAND POINT

S. S. Virginian's Mails Landed and Shipped in Hour and Half.

BIG ALLAN LINER HAD FINE VOYAGE

2249 Bags and 917 Packages Handled in Lightning Manner—Officials well Pleased.

The Allan Liner Virginian, Captain A. Rennie, arrived in port yesterday morning and docked at No. 7 berth, Sand Point. The ship brought out a heavy mail and 175 passengers, there being 44 first class, 39 second and 92 steerage.

The ship had a fairly good voyage from Liverpool, encountering the usual winter weather. On Christmas day the ship was far out on the ocean but the day was celebrated by those on board. There was the usual Christmas dinner, a concert, and all the children on board the big liner hung their stockings up on Christmas Eve, and were delighted to find them filled with candy and toys the next morning.

The ship's daily runs were 254, 375, 252, 383, 357, 399, 187. The following is the list of the first class passengers: Hugh Allan, S. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Mary Armstrong, M. Breslin, Wm. A. Burton, Mrs. Burton, Master J. Burton, F. W. Cherry, Capt. R. G. Corbett, R.N., Mrs. Corbett, Mr. Despard, Mrs. Duncan, W. T. Fleming, C. T. Fullerton, J. W. Gibson, Mrs. Gibson and child, Commander E. Henslowe, M. D. Herdridge, J. C. Hope, M. Joseph, Mrs. Joseph, Senator Ph. Landry, Mrs. Landry, M. Mayers, Percy R. Merry, A. G. Morrison, K.C., Henri de Ponthiere, Lieut. E. J. Renaud, S. Rubin, W. G. Scott, G. H. Smith, Mrs. May Tandy, Mrs. Marguerite Taschereau, Mrs. C. Taylor, H. Wineburg, Miss Emily Yates, Master Montagu Yates.

The Virginian brought out a very heavy mail, there being 2249 bags of mail and 917 packages. These were made up as follows: 1747 Canadian bags of mail and 854 packages; 502 bags of overseas mail and 63 packages.

The ship docked at eleven o'clock and one of the fastest records ever made in Canada was hung up in handling the mails. In just one hour and 30 minutes after the ship docked the mails were all landed and placed in the cars and ready to be shipped. The mail, the maritime Province, being hauled to the east side of the harbor on teams. It was a record for quick handling that greatly pleased the Allan Line and the C. P. R. officials.

REUNION AT ST. PETER'S

North End Society Held Pleasant Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—Presentation to Spiritual Advisor.

A very enjoyable time was had yesterday afternoon in the rooms of St. Peter's Y. M. A., Douglas avenue, when the members of the association met in their annual Christmas reunion. The function, which was attended by practically every active member of the association, was marked by presentations to the director, or as well as individual members of the orchestra, and to the spiritual advisor of the society. Inspiring addresses reviewing the work of the society were also delivered during the afternoon.

The meeting was presided over by John McDonald, president of the association; and in a neat address in which he dwelt on the advancement and aims of St. Peter's Y. M. A. Mr. McDonald opened the afternoon's programme.

Rev. Joseph H. Borgman, C. S. S. R., spiritual advisor of the society addressed the boys. He touched on the work which had been carried on throughout the year, and spoke encouragingly of the plans outlined for the winter. Not the least important of the boys, included in the winter's activities will be the holding of a sleigh drive at some future date. During the meeting Rev. Father Borgman was presented with a purse of gold by the society members, and a purse of gold was also received from the society by Eugene McBride, director of the orchestra. A photograph was also received by each member of the orchestra.

The remaining portion of the programme consisted of selections by St. Peter's orchestra; violin solo, M. O'Neill; solo, Harry McQuade; solo, Frank McCarroll; and a quartet, M. O'Neill. The society is now in a flourishing condition with a big membership.

Handsome Calendar. Scenes showing the different stages lumber goes through from the forest to the consumer are shown on the calendars just issued by the J. B. Snowball Co., Ltd., of Chatham, N. E. The whole scheme of the calendars is in good taste and shows to advantage the different lines handled by this energetic North Shore firm.

PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL

HON. MR. HAZEN WILL SPEAK

Minister of Marine and Fisheries will Address North End Conservatives this Evening.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will address a public meeting to be held under the auspices of the North End Conservative Club, in the Temple of Honor Hall, Main street, this evening. It is some time since Mr. Hazen has addressed a meeting in the North End, and it is expected there will be a large number of electors in attendance. Mr. Hazen will be the principal speaker, but a number of other Conservative leaders will be present and deliver brief addresses. Hon. J. K. Fleming was invited to speak at the meeting, and it is expected he will present if his other engagements permit him to come to St. John today.

SMALL FIRES YESTERDAY

James McIntyre Loses Fine Horse—Blaze in Carleton—C.P.R. Box Car Suffers.

Early yesterday morning fire was discovered in McArthur's wood shed off Sydney street, near the corner of British. When discovered the flames had broken through the sides and roof and had also penetrated into the barn where James McIntyre keeps his horse. It took the firemen some time to quench the flames and the two buildings were badly damaged. When the barn door was broken in it was found that Mr. McIntyre's horse had been suffocated. It was not known just how the fire started but it was thought that hot ashes were responsible.

The West End firemen were called out early yesterday morning for a small fire caused by one of the oil heaters in a car near No. 6 warehouse, Sand Point. The damage was trifling. Yesterday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock a fire was discovered in a C. P. R. box car loaded with hay and lying in the ward off Mill street. An alarm was sent in. The car and contents were badly damaged.

SURVEY OF HOUSING CONDITIONS SOON

Board of Health will Take the Matter up Early in Year—Selected Section.

It is expected that the proposed survey of housing conditions in a selected section of St. John will be started early in the year. The survey will be made by officers of the Board of Health, and the idea is to have the city council or the Board of Trade bear the expense. When the survey is made, it is hoped that it will provide data upon which to formulate plans for improving housing conditions in the city.

Before the old council went out of existence it had taken up the matter of making a complete revision of the building by-laws adopted shortly after the big fire of 1877, and bringing them up to date. The council committee held conferences with the Board of Underwriters, the Builders' Exchange and architects, and Architect Mort was engaged to draft the new by-laws. The Board of Trade has been planning to hold a meeting to discuss the general question of housing, and find out what it costs so much to put up buildings here, but no date has been fixed for the meeting.

YOUNG LADY VICTIM OF DARING HOLD-UP

A daring hold-up took place on Canterbury street about seven o'clock on Saturday evening. A young lady while walking along the street from her place of business was held up by a man who demanded two dollars. The young lady was greatly frightened and unfortunately no person was near to render assistance. She gave the man the two dollars after which he allowed her to pass alone. Although she can give a fairly good description of the man it is not known if it is sufficient for the police to work on.

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ADVOCATES SOCIAL REFORMS TO FIGHT EVIL

A. M. Belding in Eloquent Appeal before Centenary Brotherhood.

MUST GET AT BOTTOM TO SECURE RESULTS

Urges Organization of Men of all Churches into Moral and Social Reform League.

The organization of the men of the different churches into a moral and social reform league, charged with the purpose of formulating a programme upon which all the churches could be united without regard to denominational differences, and the utilization of the schools as social centres, were largely advocated by A. M. Belding in an address delivered before the Men's Brotherhood of Centenary church yesterday afternoon. Mr. Belding suggested that the men's brotherhood take the initiative in the formation of such a league. R. G. Murray, who presided at the meeting, said the principal object of the brotherhood was to lend its support to such a movement as was outlined by the speaker, and J. William Smith endorsed the suggestions made. No action, however, was taken. In opening his address Mr. Belding said that the work directed to the problem of reforming individuals was largely a waste of effort, and social reform movements should give their main attention to the conditions under which men lived, and try to abolish the inequalities and evils which afflicted them. The liquor peddlars and those who profited by the perpetuation of evils were aggressive and exercised an active influence upon the moral and immoral atmosphere of a community. The respectable citizen was too often a mere passive influence. In order to do their duty good citizens should see that the laws were enforced, and better laws enacted where required. Organization was necessary to develop a community spirit, but an organization's activities should not be limited to holding meetings. There was inspiration in discussion, value in example, but outside a great problem awaited aggressive and determined effort. A small group of men could get together and formulate a community programme which would open channels for purposeful opposition to the forces of evil.

Social Centres. The speaker said he knew of no movement more full of promise of betterment than the social centres movement, a movement by the people for the people which has grown rapidly since the strike of 1912. School boards were now compelled by law to open the school buildings for the uses of the public. In St. John the movement would have to begin on a small scale, because of financial difficulties and lack of equipment, but a start should be made. Saloons were open; there were plenty of places where young people could learn bad habits; the community should open its school buildings for the social entertainment and instruction of the people generally. The churches would remain a source of inspiration, but church activities seldom extended beyond the denominational boundary. The development of social centres work, the growth of the community spirit would result in an elevation of the moral and social standards, and the reaction would be beneficial to the churches; obviously they should support this movement.

Big Problems. The awakening of China and Japan were bringing big problems to the forefront. If the Christian nations were to meet the economic competition of the orient, and continue to maintain their intellectual domination they must tackle the social evils at the root, abolish poverty, give every man, woman and child an opportunity to come out in the sunshine, and to train their bodies and minds to fit them for the great work awaiting them. Those who wish to preserve the best that is in Christendom must lay aside selfish ambitions and emulate the good work of the world, knowing that those who stood for the maintenance of the social order of his day, and the evils he wished to eradicate, were preparing the stage for the last sad scene in his tragic career.

H. H. Stuart, alderman of Newcastle, when asked to speak, he agreed with Mr. Belding that in order to achieve permanent results it was necessary to tackle conditions. While many people were in the depths through natural depravity, many were also in desperate plight through no fault of their own. Drink might cause poverty, but poverty was often the cause of drink. The conditions under which men lived often set up a demand for stimulants. Society should abolish the slums, and do that it would have to abolish poverty. B. L. Sheppard said he had heard of one peddler who sold 126 long-necks on a Sunday. J. Willard Smith said he had his own view of the argument that poverty was a cause of drink, but he agreed that there was a great waste of effort trying to reform individuals. He believed they should tackle the immediate cause of the drink evil, the liquor traffic, and suppress the business.

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