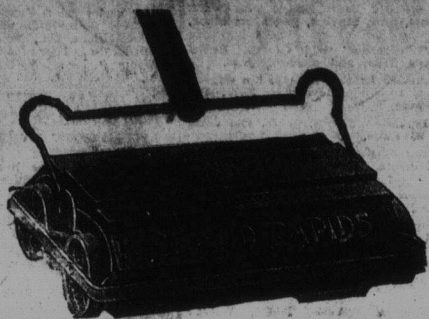


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KENT COUNTY.

Fire at Coal Branch—More Smallpox Discovered.

MONCTON, Dec. 15.—A large boarding house at Coal Branch, Kent county, owned by the Canadian Coal and Manganese Company, was destroyed by fire Friday night. It cost \$3,000 and was insured for \$1,500. The mine has not been working for some time and the building was only occupied by a watchman.

Two new cases of small pox were discovered in the Parish of Wellington, Kent Co., and twenty more houses were quarantined as a result.

THREE LIVES LOST.

In a Tenement Fire in New York Today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Three lives were lost in a tenement house fire on East 126 street today. The dead: Mrs. Mary Bond, 32 years old. Raymond Bond, seven years. Rose Bond, five years. Edward Bond, the husband and father, 35 years of age, was severely burned about the hands and face while trying to save his family; and Helen Bond, two years old, was also severely burned about the hands and face. The loss on building and contents was \$8,000. The Bonds lived on the top floor of the tenement, which was five stories high. There were sixteen families in the house and all except the Bonds got out safely.

AN ARCHBISHOP.

ROME, Dec. 15.—The congregation of the Propaganda has decided to propose to the Pope the appointment of Bishop James Quigley, of Buffalo, N. Y., as Archbishop of Chicago in succession to the late Archbishop Feehan.

MANY WERE DROWNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Advice from Barroquilla, confirms the report of the wreck of the Bagota recently near El-Banco, says a Herald despatch from Coloma. She had on board a large force of government soldiers, many of whom were drowned. The details of the disaster have been suppressed.

THE COAL FAMINE.

BALSTON, N. Y., Dec. 15.—The last shipment of coal in the court house has been placed in a warehouse today. No supply is in sight. There are fifty-seven prisoners in jail, which, with the county clerk's office, is heated from the court house. The thermometer showed 17 degrees below zero.

THE DEATH ROLL.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Benjamin M. Denison, treasurer of the American Hospital Association, died in this city today. Mr. Denison was 67 years of age, and since early manhood had been associated with religious and temperance movements. He was at one time Grand Worthy Patriarch of America and was the Grand Worthy Patriarch of the United States, of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

SCOTTISH CURLERS.

To Arrive in Montreal on Jan. 7 Next—To Play in Different City Clubs.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—The reception committee of the Scotch Curling Association held a most important meeting Thursday evening at the Thistle curling rink parlors. The president, Lieut. Col. Stevenson, was in the chair, while W. D. Ald attended to the duties of secretary.

The business session was relative to the coming visit of the Scottish curlers to Canada, and more especially to Montreal. After considerable discussion on the matter it was finally decided to give the boys from across the pond a grand reception during their visit to this city.

A letter was read from the Scotch curlers advising the Branch that they would arrive in Montreal on Wednesday, Jan. 7 next, and that they would remain in the city exactly one week, leaving here for Quebec on Jan. 14.

The meeting last evening decided that the visiting curlers play a friendly match with each curling club in the city, and that at the final a grand banquet be played at all the different rinks. (Seven Old Countrymen and Canadians.)

The Scotch curlers will be royally entertained and their visit to this city will terminate with a grand banquet.

A RECORD FOR ST. JOHN.

The loading of the Allan liner Corinthian, which arrived in this port on Thursday evening, and sailed on Sunday morning was, in point of time, a record for St. John. The discharging of the inward cargo was commenced on Thursday evening, and within sixty hours from the arrival of the steamer not only was the cargo removed but a heavy outward freight was put on board. The Corinthian carried away one hundred and thirty-five carloads of package freight, thirty-six carloads of live stock, fifty thousand bushels of grain, and five carloads of deals. The agents of the Allan line express themselves as being highly pleased with the manner in which the loading was accomplished.

A STRANGE HALLUCINATION.

A man by the name of Arthur McCarthy, who lives in Lower Cove, was taken to the central police station on Saturday, supposed to be insane. He was afterwards found upon examination to be of unsound mind and was sent to the asylum. McCarthy had formerly been a patient in the asylum and was discharged some years ago. Since that time he has not shown any signs of derangement until within the past two weeks, when his mind has been affected. He is laboring under the delusion that a mistake has been made by justice and that he is shortly to be hanged for the murder of Doherty. He thinks that Higgins has mesmerized him and that while the prisoner is to be set free he is to suffer the punishment. The man's conduct has been a source of considerable anxiety to his friends.

VENEZUELA

Asks Now for a Peaceful Settlement of the Dispute.

Rumor That Argentina and Chili Want to Take a Hand.

PUERTO CABELLO, Saturday, Dec. 13.—The British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta bombarded the fortress here at five o'clock this afternoon and quickly silenced it. The bombardment lasted 45 minutes. The fortress is composed of Fort Solano and the Castle Libertador. After the firing ceased the Charybdis sent marines to occupy the castle. The fortress was almost demolished. It is possible that only a few persons were injured by the shelling. The commander of Castle Libertador has been taken prisoner. The cruisers are still here. The captain of the English merchant steamer Topaze, which was seized by the mob last Wednesday, had visited the English commodore on board the Charybdis and returned an hour later with a detachment of fifty marines, who took charge of the Topaze. It was because satisfaction for the outrage on the Topaze was refused that the bombardment occurred.

WANT CASTRO TO RESIGN.

CARACAS, Dec. 15.—A movement is on foot here to request President Castro to resign and to summon congress with a view of arranging a satisfactory settlement of the existing difficulties. CARACAS, Dec. 15.—Inaction reigns in government circles here. The officials do not know what to do and are depending entirely on the United States to assist them. A movement is on foot here, headed by prominent doctors and lawyers, to request President Castro to resign and ask Vice-President Ramon Ayala to assume the presidency and form a cabinet without party tendencies.

It is also proposed to summon congress to appoint a temporary president and arrange the questions in dispute in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

General Hernandez (Elmocho) who has just been released from prison at Maracibo, is expected at Caracas tomorrow. His partisans are very active and further trouble is apprehended.

The Venezuelan government announces Great Britain has re-opened the navigation of the Orinoco River. Two warships will patrol the mouths of the river and the river itself.

This measure applies only to foreign ships. Vessels flying the Venezuelan flag are excepted. The patriotic party here yesterday passed off without any extraordinary incidents. President Castro during the day visited the tomb of Bolivar. The government refused that the German cruiser Panther should be allowed to destroy the forts there.

Minister Bowen, at the request of the Dutch minister, Dr. Van Leyden, who is sick at Curacao, has taken charge of Dutch interests here. The leading merchants of La Guayra arrived here last night, abandoning the port, owing to fear that it will be shelled today. The German cruiser Vineta is going to visit Margarita, an island in the Caribbean Sea, 60 miles north of Cumana, belonging to Venezuela.

At five o'clock yesterday afternoon four loud explosions alarmed the city of Porto Cabello. It was found that British marines had blown up the subterranean prison cells of Castle Libertador with dynamite. They also burned all the wooden buildings surrounding the castle and carried away everything that could be transported.

After the bombardment of the forts at Porto Cabello and the landing of marines on the island, where the castle is situated, the force of the powers acted just as if they were at home, causing great indignation among the Venezuelans. When everything had been destroyed the marines re-embarked.

The Venezuelan government warship Miranda has escaped the vigilance of the German cruisers Falk and Panther, which were searching for her, and arrived at Maracibo yesterday.

BRITISH NOT RESPONSIBLE.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The under foreign secretary, Lord Cranborne, denied in the house of commons today that the British commander was responsible for the sinking of the Venezuelan ships.

ARGENTINA MAY HELP CASTRO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Herald correspondent in Caracas says he has learned on reliable authority that the government of Argentina, in a despatch from Buenos Ayres, has instructed its consular representative to report to Buenos Ayres as early as possible what appears to be the attitude of the United States and what view that government is likely to take of its obligations under the Monroe doctrine in the face of the aggressive action of Great Britain and Germany. Should the United States decide to remain impassive on the ground that its interpretation of the Monroe doctrine does not interfere with foreign powers resorting to drastic measures for the collection of claims, the correspondent says he is informed that the government of Argentina, feeling that the autonomy of all South American states is jeopardized, is prepared to take a decided stand by the side of Venezuela and to offer her assistance to President Castro. Argentina is not anxious to declare her attitude, and will only do so, it is said, in the event of the United States maintaining a complacent attitude. It is believed that Chili entertains similar views and that many messages have been exchanged between the officials of the Chilean republic in Valparaiso as well as with Buenos Ayres.

THE GERMAN EXPLANATION.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—In official circles here it is stated that the Venezuelan vessels sunk off La Guayra were old and worthless cutters and unfit to go to sea, and that the other ships captured (Continued on Page Four.)

SURELY NOT TRUE.

That Over 4,000 Miners Will Strike on Wednesday.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—More than 4,000 miners at Drifton, near Hazleton, will go out on strike Wednesday unless their employers adjust grievances they complain of before that time, says a despatch from Scranton to the Press. The shipment of coal to New York will be decreased by 10,000 tons a day if this strike is inaugurated. The miners are employed by Cox & Co., the large independent operators. They say that the company has repeatedly refused to re-employ all its union miners.

A RECORD TRIP

That Saved \$12,000 for the Vessel's Owners.

PORTLAND, Ogn., Dec. 15.—The German bark Herseogin Cecille, which has arrived at Astoria, 66 days from Montevideo, has broken the record, the best previous record being 75 days. She sailed from Hamburg for Portland June 25, and while working down the Atlantic met a gale which partly dismasted her. She put into Montevideo August 20 for repairs, and was unable to get away from there until October six.

Previous to the disaster she had been chartered to load wheat at Portland at 28 shillings, and before she left the South American port rates had declined to a low figure. Her cancelling dated Dec. 31, and as the usual passage is about 10 days, the chances were decidedly against her reaching port before her charter expired. She saved \$12,000 for her owners.

UNION MAN SHOT.

PORT COSTA, Calif., Dec. 15.—As an outgrowth of the tanners' strike at Benica, which has been on for three months, Jacob Jensen has been shot and killed. He was walking along the street when accosted by a non-union man and asked where he was working. Jensen refused to say, whereupon the non-union man shot twice, killing him.

SPEECHES OF CANADIANS TOLD.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 12.—If Wednesday was politicians' day at the National Reciprocity League Conference, yesterday was manufacturers' and business men's day, the result being that a more clearly defined policy on reciprocity was outlined and there was no talking to the crowd. The sting of the denunciations by John Charles, M. P., and Senator McMullen at Wednesday night's banquet was felt and several delegates admitted frankly that the United States had not acted fairly towards Canada in tariff matters and in the Alaska boundary dispute. The resolutions adopted unanimously by the convention declared for fair trade relations with the world and the arrangement of a mutually satisfactory reciprocity treaty with Canada. The sincerity of the American delegates was made clear yesterday afternoon, when in a few minutes several thousand dollars were raised for a special organization fund and the executive was authorized to proceed at once with the work of familiarizing business men with the advantages of reciprocity.

PERSONAL.

W. E. Farrell, of Fredericton, is in the city today.

A. G. Falls and John E. Cairns, of Sydney, are at the Dufferin.

W. D. Gillis, of Springfield is in the city.

H. L. Foster, of Truro, is registered at the Dufferin Hotel.

J. R. Thompson, of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A., who has been conducting the canvass for the building fund in Fredericton, came to St. John today. He leaves on the C. P. R. this evening for New York where he will spend Christmas.

H. S. MacGachen, of the Bank of Montreal here, has been transferred to St. Mary's, Ont., and R. A. Thompson, who has been in St. Mary's will take his place here. Mr. MacGachen left for the west Saturday.

William Doherty of the West End, who was taken ill on October 8th, with a very severe attack of pneumonia, has now sufficiently recovered to be about his business once more.

Miss Marjory Blair, daughter of Hon. A. G. Blair, left England on the 11th inst., on the R. M. S. Parisian for Halifax.

Mrs. A. C. Smith and her daughter, Mrs. Sadie E. Smith, returned from a visit to Fredericton Saturday afternoon by the Boston express.

Great Collins, who has been for some time in the Western States, has returned home for the holidays.

Mrs. DeB. Carritte was called to Boston on Saturday evening by the serious illness of her son who is in a hospital there.

Miss Bertha Jones, of Weyford, arrived in the city on the Boston express Saturday and will leave Monday on the Montreal express for Springfield, N. S., where she will spend a few weeks with her brother, H. W. Jones, of the I. C. R.

C. A. Atkinson, in the employ of T. McAvity & Sons, left for New York on Saturday night on a vacation.

Senator and Mrs. Fred P. Thompson, who were in the city Saturday, returned home by the evening train.

NOT AN ILL WIND.

Two peasants living near Castiglione, in Sicily, have reason to be thankful for the recent hurricane. They were endeavoring to repair the damage done to their ground by the floods, when among the upturned piles of earth they discovered a hoard of ancient gold Greek pieces. The value of the treasure is estimated roughly at \$12,000. It is rumored that another hoard is concealed in the neighborhood, but the country folk declare that it will never come to light till some priest has been killed in order to break the spell which hides it. An additional interest is taken in the search through the fact that the law of treasure trove does not hold good in Sicily.

KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 14.—Word was received here today that wreckage from the steamship Hannockburn had been found on Whitford Point, Lake Superior. It consisted of a life preserver with what are apparently blood stains on the shoulder straps.

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QUESTION OF DREAM.

Kitty—"Fred called me a dream last evening."

Bertha—"How funny! It was only last week Fred was telling me what awful dreams he had."—Stray Stories.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—At the annual meeting of the Dominion Commercial Travelers' Association Saturday night annual reports were received and officers elected. The annual reports were very satisfactory, showing a total membership of 4,864. The following officers were elected: President, James Robertson; vice-president, Geo. A. Mann; treas., J. S. McDougall. The old ex-

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SAME OLD LIE.

If the Bay of Fundy should ever be favored with an opportunity to gather to its bosom certain geographical experts from both sides of the Atlantic, we can readily imagine that ordinarily cheerful and benign body of water shaking itself with horrid glee, as it prepared for them the most nauseating and exhaustive dose of sea-sickness ever served out to an ignorant and presumptuous land-lubber.

Here is the Brooklyn Eagle, usually fair and accurate, and to whose columns the Star has frequently turned for useful information, with a conviction that the source was reliable—here is the Eagle in the ranks of those who appear to think that the Bay of Fundy is one of the most dangerous of ocean freaks. True, the Eagle does not in itself use the language of assertion, but it quotes with approval authorities who do. Note the following:

To the Editor of the Brooklyn Eagle: Will you please give me some information about the Bay of Fundy and its high tides?

W. S. K.

Answer—The tide in the Bay of Fundy rises from thirty to sixty feet or higher, depending on locality. The spring tides at times reach seventy-five to one hundred feet and even higher, as some authorities state. These spring tides can be witnessed to advantage at many places not far distant from St. John, N. B. At Annapolis and at Sackville the tide rises very high. A writer on this subject says: "The Bay of Fundy might be called the American Bay of Biscay, except that the waters are a little less exposed to the powerful winds which sweep the open sea. It may be described to the eye as a short, stout left hand of the Atlantic, thrust up in a northerly direction between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and terminating only in a thumb and little finger. The little finger sinuously penetrates New Brunswick, very nearly to Northumberland Strait, beyond which lies Prince Edward Island. The thumb entering Nova Scotia and bending to the east and south, broadens into the Basin of Minas, which gives to the great promontory almost an inland sea. It is into this Basin of Minas and up along its influent Windsor River that the Fundy's tides pour with their greatest volume and force, rising it is affirmed, to an occasional height of sixty or seventy feet, and with such sudden velocity as now and then to overwhelm cattle feeding on the marsh lands by the shore. The extreme length of the Bay of Fundy is about 170 miles; its width ranges from thirty to fifty miles; its depth is generally great. Its shores are, for the most part, bold and rocky, sometimes grandly precipitous. It is a capacious ocean pocket, filled and emptied twice in twenty-four hours. With its tides, fogs and winds and "iron-bound" shores, it is anything but an inviting water to mariners, and has been the scene of some of the direst tragedies of the sea, while not without attractions of the strongest sort for the tourist and the sportsman."

To what purpose has the St. John Board of Trade published two books on the Bay of Fundy and the port of St. John? To what end have articles without number been published in the newspapers and magazines? Here we have one of the most widely read of American journals assuring its readers that the bay is "anything but inviting to mariners, and has been the scene of some of the direst tragedies of the sea."

The greatest variation in the tides of the Bay of Fundy, in the narrow creeks at the extreme head of the bay, never exceeds sixty feet—it ever reaches that figure. In the harbor of St. John the average variation is about twenty feet, although it is sometimes as much as twenty-seven feet. The story about cattle being overwhelmed by the tide is pure fiction, although it was told in an American geography of years ago. The tides of Fundy are beneficent, not destructive. They give St. John the finest sewerage system in the world, and at the head of the bay they enrich the marshes. In St. John harbor the rise and fall of tide makes this the finest port in America for loading cattle and horses into steamers.

With regard to the ocean tragedies, there has never been one in the whole history of the Bay of Fundy to compare in horror with those that annually occur along the coast of the New England states. Vessels, both small and large have been wrecked in the bay, but never one with great loss of life. Steam tugs tow barges the whole length of the bay, up and down, at the year round. Schooners in the lumber trade go up and down. Small schooners and tiny steamers ply back and forth across the bay. Big steamers and sailing ships go up to load deals at the head of the bay in summer, and all the year round ocean steamers go back and forth between St. John and trans-Atlantic ports. This winter there are weekly steamers to Liverpool, London and Glasgow, with other services to Manchester, Bristol, Belfast and Dublin; besides the 200 India and South African

services, and the vessels carrying lumber. In the whole history of the steamship line running between St. John and Boston not a life has been lost at sea. The Bay of Fundy is not a terror to mariners, and it is unfortunate that so old a lie as that quoted by the Eagle should die so hard.

The Board of Trade should officially communicate with the Brooklyn journal and request that the facts be given the same publicity that has been given these damaging falsehoods. The Star does not know what cheerful prevaricator wrote the article quoted by the Eagle, but he wrote without knowledge.

SUDDEN DEATH

Of Mrs. Charles E. Macmichael—A Prominent Worker in Womanly Activities.

The death occurred very suddenly yesterday morning of Mrs. Charles E. Macmichael, a lady of estimable worth, well known and favorably known throughout the city.

Mrs. Macmichael had not enjoyed the best of health for some years, in fact had experienced periods of severe illness, and at times her life was in the balance. However, she survived these depressing periods, and her friends looked forward to her enjoying many years of active work in home life and chosen field work among young women.

The end came much sooner than expected. On Saturday Mrs. Macmichael complained of acute indigestion, but yesterday morning she arose as usual and was about the house till church time. Although complaining slightly, nothing serious was anticipated. Her husband and one son and her daughter went to church, the eldest son remaining at home with his mother. Mrs. Macmichael laid down on a couch and after a little complained that her feet were particularly cold. The son went to the kitchen to get something hot to relieve his mother, but upon returning found her unconscious. A physician was immediately summoned and on arrival pronounced the lady dead. The family were at once summoned.

Mrs. Macmichael was formerly a Miss Jennie Hutchinson, a young lady well and favorably known. Besides a husband, she leaves two sons, Charles and Harold, and one daughter, Nellie.

The deceased was a prominent worker and at the head of the King's Daughters. It was through Mrs. Macmichael's work that this order has been carried out as it has in St. John; indeed it was largely through her energy and inspiration that the excellent quarters now occupied on Chipman's Hill were obtained.

At one time she took an active interest in W. C. T. U. matters and Centenary Church, but of late she devoted her energies almost entirely to the King's Daughters. She was a woman of exceptional executive ability and a natural leader in her chosen work. She was loved by all who knew her and respected by all who were in any way brought in connection with her. Her death will be severely felt not alone by her family and friends, but by the public at large.

At Centenary Sunday school yesterday Rev. Mr. Campbell told in fitting terms of Mrs. Macmichael's faithful work, and the news of her demise was heard with deep regret by her fellow teachers as well as by the scholars who had learned to love her methods of instruction. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. from Centenary Church. To Mr. Macmichael is extended the sympathy of a wide circle in his sad and sudden bereavement.

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Preaching yesterday at St. John's church on the subject of "Hope," the Rev. J. de Soyres referred to the decease of one who had been a regular worshipper at the church for many years. Last Sunday he had been in his place, moving as usual before the sermon to a seat nearer the pulpit. Only the extreme cold had prevented him from attending in the evening. Last Friday, suddenly and painlessly, a long and honorable career was brought to a close. Mention was made of his life. He was a citizen of St. John, son of one whom the city had elected to its chief magistracy. His medical studies were carried on in England, at the famous Guy's Hospital, since Canada could not then, as now she can, provide adequate medical instruction in her own universities. He returned to his own city, and for nearly 60 years worked in his noble profession. Reference was made by the preacher to two occasions in the early years of his ministry, when Dr. Harding had been the trusted helper at critical times. And ever since, up to the very last, his frequent visits to talk about the books he loved so well had been much valued, and now regretted. The Christian physician occupied a noble position in the world. His aid was sought, and his advice was followed in bodily things. But the example of humble Christian belief and unostentatious Christian practice was of priceless value. He had shared the "hope laid up for us in the heavens," and that hope had now become reality.

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CHRIST AND HIS SOLDIERS

In Trinity Church on Wednesday evening next at 8 o'clock, Farmer's well known oratorio, "Christ and His Soldiers," will be given in place of the usual evening service. The work has been for some time under preparation, and judging from the previous work of the choir, will give an evening of pure enjoyment to those fortunate enough to be present. No admission will be charged, but a silver collection will be taken, which will be given to missions. The doors will be opened at half-past seven o'clock.

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OTTAWA NEWS.

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The contract for the Canadian building at the Osaka exhibition has been awarded to a Japanese firm, and the building will be completed by about January 15th. Half the cost is being defrayed by the Japanese government. Commissioner Wm. Hutchison and his staff leave for Vancouver on Wednesday en route for Osaka.

The by-elections for the existing vacancies in the house of commons will not take place until January. Writs in Ontario cannot be issued until sixty days after completion of the lists and all lists have not yet been received at the state department. At yesterday's cabinet meeting an order in council was passed permitting salted and green hides from Europe to pass through the New England states in bond to points in Canada. This is calculated to help Portland and Boston to the detriment of St. John and Halifax. Apart from this unfortunate concession the quarantine cord against the New England states is being effectively maintained, the department of agriculture having sent veterinary inspectors to points along the frontier to guard against the admission of cattle and to superintend the cleaning and disinfecting of cars.

There is a continuous rush daily for the Welsh coal purchased by the city. It is being retailed at \$3 per ton. The corporation will lose \$15,000 on the transaction, but public sentiment warmly approves the action of the council. Local dealers are practically without a supply and will only supply anthracite to customers in quarter ton lots.

FIRE AT CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, N. B.—St. Luke's Methodist church was badly damaged by fire, which was discovered about one of the furnaces in the basement. The janitor, who was acting for the regular man, had just rung the bell at ten o'clock, and upon his return to the ground floor found the building full of smoke. An alarm was given at once, and in a short time four or five streams were playing upon the building from near-by hydrants. Considerable damage was done to the interior of the church, but the roof and walls appear to be uninjured. The piano and a small organ were carried out without any damage, but the large organ has been badly wetted and somewhat broken. The fire was a difficult one to handle successfully, and it made considerable progress before it was finally drowned out. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Copy for CHANGE OF ADVERTISEMENTS in the STAR should be in the office not later than 10 a. m. to ensure insertion in that day's issue.

DEATH OF MISS COWAN.

The death occurred yesterday afternoon of Miss Eliza J. second daughter of Susan E. and the late M. E. Cowan. Deceased had been ill for the past seven weeks and her death was not exactly unexpected. Miss Cowan leaves a mother, three sisters—Mrs. E. B. Jones, Miss K. and Miss H. Cowan—and five brothers—Albert E., John R., Harry T., Edwin C. and Charles K., all of this city. For years past with the exception of the past year, Miss Cowan was a prominent worker and teacher in Main Street Baptist Church Sunday school. The funeral will probably be held on Tuesday.

TWO BIG FIRES.

Fire yesterday morning gutted the five story brick building on McGill street, Montreal, occupied by H. Jacobs & Co. as a cigar factory. One million cigars, just finished, went up in smoke. The firm's loss is placed at \$50,000, fully insured. The building is damaged to the extent of \$10,000, fully insured. The Victoria hotel on Palace street, Quebec, was burned to the ground yesterday. The guests, about fifty in number, lost all their effects. The loss is placed at \$100,000, with insurance of \$75,000.

GENERAL.

The coal famine has caused intense suffering among the poor in Boston. Nearly all the city departments used their teams yesterday to aid in distributing fuel, which was no easy task, as the streets were blocked with snow. Two youths, one eighteen and the other fifteen, have been sentenced to be hanged at Lexington, Ky., for the crime of murder.

FOOT BALL.

BELFAST, Dec. 13.—In its first match today since crossing the Atlantic, the All-Canada team defeated the North of Ireland 11 to 2. Some 2,000 people witnessed the game.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., Dec. 14.—Rev. Dr. Henney of this city has been tendered the position of organizing secretary for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Canada. He has returned to St. Andrew.

BIRTHS.

ELLIS.—Wolville, Dec. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Ellis, a son.

MARRIAGES.

WALSH-COCHRAN.—Dec. 11th, at the residence of sister of the bride, Mrs. Joshua Cheeseman, Prospect street, Fairville, by Rev. W. J. Kirby, James Donville Walsh of P. B. L. Co., to Miss Minnie May Cochran of Ollaville, Q. Co.

DEATHS.

MACMICHAEL.—Suddenly, Dec. 14, Jennie H., beloved wife of Charles E. Macmichael. Funeral on Tuesday, 16th inst., from Centenary church at 2:30 p. m.

MCDADE.—In this city, Dec. 14, James Mc-Dade, native of Donegal, Ireland, aged 83 years.

Regular mass at Church of St. John the Baptist at nine o'clock Tuesday morning. Funeral at 9:30 o'clock.

COWAN.—In this city, on Dec. 14th, Eliza J., second daughter of Susan E. and the late Moses B. Cowan. Funeral from her mother's residence, 298 Main street, on Tuesday. Service at 2:15 p. m.

McKENZIE.—At Nerepis Station, Kings Co., N. B., Dec. 12th, 1902, Norma Adeline, infant daughter of D. W. and Amelia McKenzie, aged 3 months and 11 days.

Ladies' Kid Gloves. Men's Ties.

Gifts well worth giving.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, two dome fasteners, black, tans, browns, beavers and greys, \$1.00.

Ladies' "Iris" Kid Gloves, two dome fasteners, new stitched backs, black, black with white points, tans, browns, beavers and greys, \$1.25.

Ladies' "Faure" Kid Gloves, three dome fasteners, stitched backs, black with white points, white, tans, beavers, greys and black, \$1.50.

Ladies' "Florentine" Kid Gloves, Dents make; black, tans, and beavers, \$1.45.

Dents' Russian Leather Gloves, tan shades, plique sewn, one dome fastener, \$1.50; two dome fasteners, \$1.40.

Ladies' Lambkin Gloves, greys, two dome fasteners, 85 cents.

Ladies' Suede Gloves, two dome fasteners, black and colors, \$1.35.

Ladies' "Bonnet" Suede Gloves, three dome fasteners; black, black with white points, tans, browns, beavers, greys, \$1.50.

Dents' Suede Gloves, very superior quality, black and colors, \$1.50. Ladies' gloves for evening wear, \$1 to \$1.50 button lengths.

Misses' Gloves, Boys' Gloves. We sell them in neat fancy boxes for gift purposes.

LADIES' CHATELAIN BAGS, WRIST BAGS AND PURSES.

Our front store has a splendid collection to choose from.

CHATELAIN BAGS in Leather, Cut Steel and Jet, 40c., 50c., 75c. and up.

We are making a leading feature of some special lines of Men's Ties and Scarfs at 75c. each.

and are showing a very large assortment at that price, of latest novelties in English and American Ties. Each tie put up in a separate box if required.

The styles are: Four-in-Hands, 75c., extra wide Four-in-Hands, 75c., extra long Four-in-Hands, 75c., New Panel Scarfs, 75c., Ascots, 75c., New "Ascots," 75c., New "Kiltons," 75c., Flowing-Ends, 75c., Puffs, 75c., Made-Knots, 75c.

BOYS' CLOTHING DEPT.

LITTLE BOYS' WARM OVERCOATS, for ages 2 to 6 years.

One lot of broken lines in Extra Quality Fancy Overcoats, reduced to \$1.75; formerly \$5.50 and \$6.00.

LITTLE BOYS' FANCY WINTER REFERS, for ages 3 to 10 years. Reduced to \$3.75; formerly \$4.25 to \$5.00.

LITTLE BOYS' BLANKET OVERCOATS, for ages 3 to 8 years—a very warm garment, \$4.50.

Crimson Toques, Sash and Mittens, 55c. Separate Toques, 35c.

LITTLE BOYS' FANCY VESTER SUITS, for ages 3 to 8 years, at greatly reduced prices, \$12.25 up.

LITTLE BOYS' FANCY RUSSIAN SUITS, for ages 2 to 5 years, in Navy, Cardinal, Brown and Blue, \$3.50 up.

Manchester Robertson & Allison PARLOR CABINETS



Also a Fine Line of Fancy Chairs and Rockers, Hat Trees, Tables, Desks, Etc.

ROCKING HORSES, 90c. TOY SET FURNITURE, 2 Chairs and Table, \$1.50.

Also Baby Sleighs, Swings, Wheelbarrows, etc. Children's Rocking Chairs and High Chairs. Make selections early for Christmas.

CHAS. S. EVERETT. 91 CHARLOTTE STREET.

YOUR MONEY BACK

IF, AFTER A TRIAL, YOU FIND THAT LAXA-CARA TABLETS

are not as claimed, a cure for constipation, you can get your money back. That shows better than anything else the faith we have in this medicine.

It will promptly correct and permanently cure any case of constipation with all its attendant evils. This is guaranteed to the very letter.

If Laxa-Cara Tablets fail, your money waits your call. Purely a vegetable compound, put up in tablet form, small and easy to take, and pleasant in operation.

35 cents a box at all druggists, or by mail on receipt of price.

FRANK WHEATON FOLLY VILLAGE, N. S. SOLE AGENT FOR CANADA

TO COUNTRY NEWSPAPERS AND PRINTING OFFICES.

Owing to the purchase and installation of new plant, the undersigned will, in a few weeks, have the following articles for sale:

5 Imposing Stones with Stands.

1 Staple Binder.

1 Card Cutter.

2 Job Presses.

1 Counter, with 6 drawers, walnut top, 9½ foot long.

SUN PRINTING COMPANY, St. John, N. B.

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EAST RN STEAMSHIP COY.

(International Division) WINTER REDUCED RATES.

In effect Nov. 1, 1902, to May 1, 1903.

St. John to Portland, N. B., St. John to Boston, N. B.

Commuting MONDAY, Nov. 18th, 1902, steamer

Nova St. John at 8 a. m. (Atlantic Standard), Monday, and Thursday, for

London, Eastport, Portland and Boston.

Returning from Boston, via Portland, Eastport and Lube, Mondays and Thursdays at 8:15 a. m.

Through tickets on sale at principal railway stations, and baggage checked to destination.

WILLIAM G. LEE, Agent, St. John, N. B.

A. H. HANSBOM, G. P. & T. A. CALVIN AUSTIN, V. P. and Gen. Manager.

General offices, Foster's Wharf, Boston, Mass.

TO LET.

TO LET—A flat No. 11, High street, North End. Modern improvements and moderate rent. To be seen any time.

HELP WANTED, MALE.

Advertisements under this Head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED.—In Daily Sun Office, a boy who has had one or two years' experience in a printing office.

WANTED.—A first class job printer at Office of SUN PRINTING CO.

GENERAL AGENTS WANTED in each town for special, accident, sickness, identification policies and general insurance business. Liberal terms in reliable men. Write box 726, Montreal.

HELP WANTED, FEMALE.

Advertisements under this Head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—In small family, girl for general housework, one who can cook. One who can go home at night preferred. Apply 46 Adelaide Road, between 7 and 8 p. m.

WANTED.—At the Hotel American at once, a cook and chambermaid.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Advertisements under this Head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

Get \$2.00 worth of the latest sheet music for 10c. Address ST. JOHN MUSIC CLUB, St. John, N. B.

BOARDERS WANTED.—First class board and rooms may be obtained at reasonable rates at 75 King street, just over Macallan Bros' store.

"Ten Per Cent." I have just opened a lot of very fine English, French and American furs, suitable for Xmas. I am allowing 10 per cent discount on all purchases for the balance of the year.

C. McGRINCH, 127 Charlotte Street.

SHOW-CASES

FOR SALE.—A bargain for some one. 2 Upright and 2 Counter. Nickel Cases for sale cheap. Call and see them at W. TREMAYNE GARDY, Jeweler and Optician, 45 King street.

FOR SALE.

Advertisements under this Head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

FOR SALE.—Here you are—Grocer's Delivery Sheds and Vanished Pumps. They are first class. Call and see them at J. R. ANDREWS, 153 Main street, opp Car Sheds.

HOUSE FOR SALE.—House 165 Adelaide road, 2 flats, 6 rooms on each flat. Enquire on the premises.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

Advertisements under this head inserted free of charge.

WANTED.—A situation as housekeeper or for work in a small family, where the washing is done out. Apply No. 4 Middle street (off Waterloo street).

WANTED.—A sober, industrious man, married, wants situation as general work. Accustomed to horses. Apply W. F. Star of office.

WANTED.—By a middle aged man, employment as bookkeeper or for general office work; long experience; best of references. Address "scribe," care of Sun Printing Co.

LOST.

Advertisements under this Head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times. Payable in advance.

LOST—On Friday evening, December 12th, a brown valise with owner's name on it, containing wearing apparel and papers. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at this office.

LOST—A gold pocket watch with chain on Friday afternoon, December 12, on City Road, between Stanley street and Haymarket Square. Finder will be rewarded by returning to 161 Wright street.

LIVERY STABLES.

HAMM'S LIVERY STABLE

134 Union Street. Telephone 11.

HORSES BOARDING—Clean and Warm Stables, best care and attention.

DRIVING OUTRITS and COACHES for hire at any hour.

DAVID CONNELL,

BOARDING, HACK and LIVERY STABLES, 45 and 47 Waterloo St., St. John, N. B.

Horses boarded on reasonable terms. Horses and Carriages on Hire. Fine Fit-outs at short notice.

A large buck-board wagon, seats fifteen or twenty people, to let, with or without horses. Telephone 98.

HOTELS.

HOTEL DUFFERIN.

E. LeROY WILLIS, Prop.,

ST. JOHN, N. B.

DEATH OF A STUDENT.

Lewis Conlogue, son of Denis Conlogue of Chelvey street, died of appendicitis at Boston on Saturday.

The deceased, who was a particularly bright young lad, was a student at St. Mary's University, N. B. Pennsylvania, where he was entered in the Redemptorist order. Being suddenly taken ill it was advised that he should be sent home. Reaching Boston an operation was considered necessary, but the young man did not survive it. The remains will be brought to the city today.

WANTED.—A case of Headache that KUMFORT POWERS will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

THE WONDROUS WEST.

Opportunities for Home-Seekers on the Farms of Manitoba.

Harold Spender, one of the editors of the Westminster Gazette, London, who along with a number of other British editors, took a trip through Canada last autumn, describing the grain fields of Manitoba, said:

"The wages for harvesters would make an English laborer's mouth water. A man who will work ten hours a day will get his \$100 for his harvest trip and food and lodging beside. This year the farmers are paying \$2 a day for harvesters, the average being 40s. a week. The Canadian Pacific makes the nominal charge of \$10 a head to bring the men to Manitoba, and \$15 to take them back, as far as the coast if they wish. Many of them remain in the country, and in the winter they can find work driving teams, grain and lumber, and without any hardship a steady, persevering man will save \$100 by the spring. The Manitoban farmers who came as pioneers twenty years ago, to take up free land, advise the emigrant of today to wait until he can buy a farm in a tract where the resources of civilized community are at his disposal. This is Mr. Greenway's advice, premier for twelve years of Manitoba, who came in when Crystal City consisted of two tents, and now owns 2,000 acres.

"In Manitoba there are twenty-five million acres of arable land, only about three millions of which are under the plough, more than two millions being under wheat. This year there will be fifty-five million bushels of wheat for export to the English market, and in ten years' time there is no reason why the amount should not be trebled. The secret of the prosperity of the farmers of Manitoba is in the richness of their soil. There are miles of prairie, flat land covered with short grass, excellent for feeding cattle. At Crystal City and all over the plains, there are splendid cattle feed off this native grass. 'Lots of people in the old country imagine that this prairie is long, thick grass, in which Indians and snakes lurk,' said a jovial citizen of Crystal City as we steamed out towards Winnipeg again, 'but we have only to scratch the soil here, to put in our wheat, and become rich.' This is no exaggeration, for it costs on an average \$2 to produce an acre of wheat, and twenty bushels of wheat at fifty-five cents a bushel—which is a low average—to the acre, will bring in \$11 to the farmer. It is no wonder that with such profit there are 35,000 well-to-do farmers in Manitoba and plenty of room for more. Very few farmers own less than a square mile; very few wheat fields are less than half a mile in length. Manitoba, in fact, the Eldorado of the farmer, and with many thousands more miles of such territory in the Northwest, Canada bids fair to live up to its proud title of Granary of the Empire. If only men from the Old Country will people it."

To a local reporter at Winnipeg Mr. Spender related an incident which proved the truth of his statements above, and which furnishes an excellent example of the splendid opportunities which Canada had to offer. In the course of his conversation he said: "About three miles from the boundary line we fell in with a young farmer from Somersetshire, England, driving a binder round a 100 acre field of wheat. He had come to Canada twelve years ago with a capital of \$10 on landing. In England he had been employed on a dairy farm and earned 18s. a week. He now owns 320 acres of land, has horses, buildings and cattle, and expects to have 4,000 bushels of wheat this season. We have heard of such things in the old land, but they did not seem credible until we came to this living example of the strides that it is possible to make in Manitoba. Had this man remained in England it is pretty safe to say he would be still earning no more than 18s. a week, while in the same period in Manitoba he has become a substantial and prosperous farmer."

RECENT DEATHS.

Gilbert H. Russell, of Fredericton, died Friday evening after four months' illness. He was 49 years of age.

Robert McKee Boyce, aged 81, of Fredericton, died Saturday morning. Three sons and one daughter survive. J. M. May, who worked in Ezekiel Steeves' stable, Moncton, died very suddenly yesterday morning of paralysis of the heart. He was about 65 years old and leaves a widow.

Word has been received of the death of Jennie Glavan, daughter of Alex. Glavan, of North Sydney, formerly of Moncton. Miss Glavan died quite suddenly of pneumonia.

Louisa Dowley, aged 70 years, widow of Captain D. Dowley, who sailed out of Halifax to the West Indies for many years, was found dead in her apartment yesterday.

Charles Hensworth, aged 18, of Halifax, went home in apparently good health Saturday night, took convulsions and died yesterday morning.

John Clark Wilson, aged 12, son of William Wilson, hotel proprietor, Halifax, died yesterday of pneumonia.

W. E. Dawson, one of the most influential citizens of Charlottetown, died on Dec. 10. He left three sons and five daughters.

Norman McKennie, traveller for the Record Printing & Machine Company, died last night after a short illness of pneumonia. He took ill at Pugwash and came home to Moncton on Saturday. He leaves a wife and family. He was about 55 years of age, a native of Richibucto, and leaves a widow and seven children.

BOSTON BLAZE.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Fire in the Hatheway building, seven stories, Summer street, tonight, occupied chiefly by printing and bookbinding firms, caused damage to the extent of \$150,000.

MONTREAL ABATTOIRS.

C. P. R. and Grand Trunk Each to Have Them.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—The Union Abattoir Company purchased the right to maintain all public abattoirs, one to be kept in the west end, and one in the east end. The west end abattoir at St. Henri was practically destroyed by fire some years ago, and no serious steps have been taken towards its reconstruction. This proved very awkward to the butchers and drovers who brought their stock into the city over the Grand Trunk. The position appeared to be complicated somewhere about a year ago by the C. P. R. securing a controlling interest in the Union Abattoir Company. During the past summer the Montreal Stock Yards Company, an ally of the G. T. R., began the construction of a big abattoir at Point St. Charles, adjacent to the stock yards. The Union Company at once demanded that the city forbid the prosecution of the work, as by the existing contract no other company had the right to maintain public abattoirs.

The finance committee has taken the matter up, and after a conference with the Union Abattoir Company and the Montreal Stock Yards Company it has been arranged that the city is to purchase from the abattoir company the west end abattoir privilege for the sum of \$50,000 and is to transfer it to the Stock Yards company.

The most important terms are that the stock yards shall remain in existence, and that the abattoir shall be completed and operated. A cattle market shall be equipped and maintained during a period of twenty-eight years. The company is to pay all taxes imposed by the city, including the water taxes. The company is to allow the city to have access to its books, whenever necessary for inspection, of the cattle received. The fees on the latter are to be collected by officers named by the city, and every facility is to be afforded to the city.

The company is to have the privilege of housing and feeding the cattle at such rates as it may see fit to charge. City meat inspectors are to have full power to inspect all cattle before slaughter, and so forth. Then follow the two most important clauses: "The city of Montreal shall pay to the Montreal Stock Yards Company the sum of \$3,000 per annum during the continuance of this contract, toward the construction, maintenance, housing and insurance, of all live stock in the company's yards."

"In consideration of the foregoing the Montreal Stock Yards Company shall pay the city in cash, or in 4 per cent bonds to the amount of \$15,000." This agreement means that the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific will each have two well equipped abattoirs in Montreal.

If this agreement is accepted, all legal proceedings will be dropped, and if not accepted the Stock Yards Company will, in all probability, obtain permission from the legislature to build the abattoir, as has been done before.

The fact that there are to be no exemptions from taxes is approved. These will amount to more than \$6,000 a year.

COBURG STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Rev. B. N. Nobles of Carleton and Pastor G. N. Stevenson exchanged pulpits yesterday. Mr. Nobles preaching an admirable sermon in the Coburg street church at the morning service.

In the evening the service was conducted by the Women's Christian Missionary Society. The president, Mrs. J. S. Flagg, gave a very interesting address on the society's work. She said in brief that the society now has 150 women in foreign fields, 3,000 children in schools, and 500 orphanages. She paid a fervent tribute to the work of Miss Riech of Hamilton, Ont., their missionary in Japan. There were solos by J. B. Allen, a speech by Mrs. J. G. Edwards, and an address by the pastor. The collection was a good one. The service closed with singing and the benediction.

In connection with Miss Riech's work in Japan it was stated that the school board of Tokio had asked her to teach the Bible to a school of fifty boys. This she gladly agreed to do, believing it to be a great opportunity. The last year has been the most successful of her work in Japan.

FIRE AT LIVERPOOL, N. S.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., Dec. 14.—Liverpool has again suffered heavily from fire. On Saturday morning, a short while before six o'clock a fire was discovered in the lower part of the Thorndyke hotel, a large four-story building. After completely destroying that it spread to the three-story block of Geo. E. Shaddon, where one of the best fights ever made by firemen finally overcame the flames. The guests at the hotel had a narrow escape, some having to be taken to the ground by means of ladders. It is understood the Thorndyke changed hands yesterday, the new proprietor being Mr. Porter. Mr. Shultz going to Newcastle, N. B. Several commercial men had their samples destroyed.

Miss Molins, milliner, whose store was in the hotel building, lost about \$1,000 worth of stock; no insurance. Mr. Hutchinson's stock was badly damaged by water; insurance small. The total loss will be \$20,000. The insurance was as follows: Millard on hotel building, \$3,000; Shaddon on furniture in hotel, \$1,000; Shaddon on building, \$2,100; Shaddon on stock, \$1,600; Hutchinson on stock, \$900.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Eucalypti tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

LOST—Between North End and King street, square lock, carved, containing picture, small piece chain attached. Finder will confer a favor by leaving at Star Office, City.

SHOT HIMSELF.

Extraordinary Conduct of a Man in Boston Streets.

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—As Thomas B. Taylor, living at 1261 Washington street, was returning home shortly before midnight, he was met on Wilkes street by an unknown man, who without preliminary talk, made the assertion that he was "going to kill someone tonight." Before Taylor could do anything to protect himself, the stranger whipped a 32 calibre revolver from his pocket, and fired two shots, one of which struck Taylor in the right thigh. The unknown man then ran into Le-laud Place, and, placing the weapon in his mouth, shot himself dead.

THE CATTLE DISEASE.

Suspected Case in Maine—Germs Carried in the Air for Miles.

(Bangor Commercial.) Hon. F. O. Beal, of this city, chairman of the state cattle commission, was notified Sunday night that there is a suspected case of the mouth and foot disease which is working havoc among cattle in various parts of the country in a herd in a Maine town near the New Hampshire line and on Monday he notified Dr. George H. Bailey, of Westbrook to visit the farm and make an investigation.

"We hope that the fears of the owner of the herd are groundless," said Dr. Beal to a reporter Monday forenoon, "but from his description of the trouble in his herd I am afraid that it is the hoof and mouth disease. However, we'll hope for the best until we hear from Dr. Bailey."

"Dr. Bailey is the only veterinarian in the state, so far as I know, who has had experience with the disease so that he is just the man to call upon in the present emergency."

"The last, and I think the only time that Maine has ever been visited by the scourge was in 1884 when 12 afflicted bulls were landed at Portland from Europe. They were for a Yarmouth man. Dr. Bailey discovered the disease in season to get it under control and it was mainly due to his prompt and efficient action that an epidemic was averted."

"With the exception of the suspected case near the New Hampshire line which possibly may prove not to be the mouth and hoof disease, Maine has thus far escaped."

Commissioner Beal says that there is no way to effectually guard against the disease as it is both very contagious and infectious. Like the hog cholera, the germs are carried in the air for many miles. Commissioner Beal says that herd owners should watch their cattle carefully for any symptoms of the trouble.

One of the chief dangers, in Commissioner Beal's opinion, is that men who visit an afflicted herd to see the symptoms of the disease are apt to convey the germs to a well herd and he advises that all cattle owners guard cautiously against visitors unless they know where they have been.

The disease, he says, is not fatal, but it so disables the cattle and undermines their constitutions that it makes them practically worthless for several years.

FRENCH SUBSIDIES.

Enable the Vessels of that Country to Get Trade.

The subsidy granted to her merchant marine by France has had the effect of bidding up a fiercer competition, although the French are not a maritime or sea-loving race. The Liverpool Journal of Commerce of October 24 records that the bounty-free French ships are fast distancing British sailing craft in competition for the lucrative trade of Japan, which the English and the few American ships have for many years controlled. These vessels had a monopoly of the refined oil trade with Japan until about 18 months ago, the product being carried at never less than 25 cents a case. The French have broken into the trade and are now carrying oil at 16 cents a case, at which price the British and American ships would lose money.

DEATH OF JAMES McDONALD.

The death took place in this city yesterday of James McDonald, who since his migration from Donegal, Ireland, over half a century ago, has resided in the north end of St. John. Mr. McDonald in the palmy days of St. John building was a figure of prominence in the shipyards, and had a strong local fame. He leaves one son, Michael McDonald, the well known newspaper writer and legislative reporter, and three daughters, Mrs. Power and Mrs. Goodwin, who reside in the western states, and Miss Catherine McDonald, who lives in Boston. Mr. McDonald's wife, a Miss O'Neill, whom he wedded in St. John, died several years ago. Requiem mass will be celebrated in St. John the Baptist church at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

MAY DISQUALIFY THE GRIT.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—The St. James Division protested election case was continued on Saturday, when Mr. Biscallion asked for the personal disqualification of Jos. Brunet, the liberal member elected since the recent by-election. The grounds for application were that Brunet had sworn his election expenses were only \$650, but had testified that he had given A. L. Gault \$2,000 to pay expenses. Biscallion argued that as a donation this money was not acknowledged as provided by law, the inference was that it had been illegally expended. The motion was taken en debite.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Paul's Equitation Hattie & Mylius
Furnish Notices King's Daughters
Local Morrill & Sutherland
Kid Gloves, etc. R. & A.
Xmas Clothing N. Harvey
Xmas Gifts Neversley Steves
Boy Wanted Sun Pig Co.
Ten Per Cent C. McGregor
Large Parcels, etc. Lemonts
Amherst and Return Winter Fair

SPORTING NEWS.

THE RING.
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Both young Corbett and Terry McGovern have decided to train at Cincinnati for their fight in Detroit next month. McGovern has left the Queen City. He will be trained by Charlie Mayhood and will do his work at his old quarters. Corbett will leave shortly for Cincinnati. Harry Tate will look after the Denver boy during his training.

COMMERCIAL.

DAILY QUOTATIONS.
Furnished by W. S. Barker, Banker and Broker.
Dec. 15, 1902.

Satur- day's close.	To- day's close.	11 a.m.	Noon.
Amal Copper	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Am Cotton Oil	40 1/2	40	40
Am Sugar Refin.	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
A. T. and S. F.	79 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
A. T. and S. G.	97 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
Am Sugar Refin.	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Brooklyn R. T.	61 1/2	61	61
Canadian Pacific	125 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2
Met Street Ry.	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
C. M. and St. Paul	168 1/2	168 1/2	168 1/2
Con. Gas	206	206	206
D. and R. G.	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Edison	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
Erie, Ist.	61	60 1/2	60 1/2
Gen. Electric	174	173 1/2	173 1/2
Ill. Central	140 1/2	139 1/2	139 1/2
Louis and Nash	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
Manhattan Ry.	144 1/2	143 1/2	143 1/2
Met Street Ry.	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
M. K. and T.	23	23	23
M. K. and T.	23	23	23
N. Y. Central	150 1/2	149 1/2	149 1/2
N. Y. O. and W.	27 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2
Norfolk and W.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Pennsylvania R. R.	151 1/2	150 1/2	150 1/2
P. G. Gas and C.	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2
Reading	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
South Pacific	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Southern R. R.	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Tenn. Coal and N.	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Union Pacific	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
U. S. Steel	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
U. S. Steel, com.	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
U. S. Steel, pfd.	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Wabash	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2

BREAK IN STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Wall Street—Prices broke violently at the opening under a heavy flood of liquidation all through the day. Prices of practically all the principal stocks lost from 1 to 2 points. The selling was largest in the United States Steel stocks, Southern Pacific, Atchafalpa and Rock Island. The first sales of United States Steel were of 5,000 shares at 20-1/2 and 20-1/4, compared with 22-1/4 Saturday. Of the preferred there were 2,000 shares sold at a loss of 1-1/2. There were 6,000 shares of Southern Pacific sold at 65-1/2 to 65-1/4, compared with 67-1/2 Saturday. Elsewhere in the list there were numerous sales of 1,000 to 5,000 share blocks. The stock market opened weak.

COTTON.
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Cotton futures opened firm, Dec. 8-1/2, Jan. 8-1/4, Feb. 8-1/2, March 8-1/2, April 8-1/2, May 8-1/2, June 8-1/2, July 8-1/2, Aug. 8-1/2.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.
S. S. Grims, Anderson, from Liverpool.
S. S. Lake Champlain, Stewart, from Liverpool.
Coastwise—Sch. Levuka, 75, Graham, from Parrsboro.
Sch. Annie Blanch, 98, Rowe, from Parrsboro.
Sch. Garfield White, 99, Tutts, from Mount Wolf.
Sch. Emily, 59, Munroe, from Advocate Harbor.
Sch. Russana, 96, Hall, from Parrsboro.
Cleared.
Coastwise—Sch. Exenia, 18, Barry, for Bear Harbor.
Barge No. 4, 439, McLeod, for Parrsboro.

LATE SHIP NEWS.

Domestic Ports.
HALIFAX, Dec. 13.—Ards, str. London City, from London for St. John; Minia (cable), from str. Baden Powell, from Parrsboro; str. W. H. Moody, from Burrows Bank (for repairs).
Sd, str. Florence, Williams, for London; Brudenre, Crowe, for Bow Head for orders.
Cld, str. Ocampo, for Bermuda, West Indies and Demerara; Mackay-Bennett, for New York.
HALIFAX, Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Cambrian, from Antwerp for Boston (for repairs); str. Boston, from Boston; str. Andrews, from Sydney.
Sd, str. Mackay-Bennett (cable), Schenck, for New York.

British Ports.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Fernona, from Portland; Loyalist, from St. John, N.B., and Halifax.
PRAWLEY POINT, Dec. 12.—Passed, str. Indiana, from Montreal and Quebec for Antwerp.
CARDIFF, Dec. 12.—Ards, str. Belfast, from Montreal via Sydney, N.S.
GLASGOW, Dec. 12.—Ards, str. Sicilian, from Montreal and Quebec.

Foreign Ports.
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Hunter, from St. John; Winnie Laurie, from do.; J. L. Cole, from do.
BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Dec. 14.—Sd, str. Hannah F. Carleton, for New York; str. Hattie C. for Parrsboro, N.S.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 13.—Ards, str. Turcoman, from Liverpool; str. E. Merriam, from Parrsboro, N.S.; str. Greta, from Nova Scotia for Boston.
Sd, str. Maxman, for Liverpool.
BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Boston, from Yarmouth, N.S.
Sd, str. Britannia, for Sydney, C.B.
Sailed from Presidents Roads, str. Halifax, for Halifax, N.S.; Roath, for Norfolk, Va.
From Nantasket Roads, str. Louisburg, for Louisburg, C.B.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Ards, str. Brigid, from Sherbrooke; str. Blomdon, from Chatham, N.B.
NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Sd, str. David P. Davis, for Weymouth, N.S.
NORFOLK, Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Pandasia, from Weymouth, N.S.
PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 13.—Sd, str. Eretia, from Weymouth, N.S.
HALIFAX, Dec. 14.—Ards, str. Dictator, from St. John (for repairs).

Reports.
ST. MICHAELS, Dec. 14.—The British bark Ocean Ranger, Capt. Piper, which sailed from St. John on Oct. 29 for St. John's, N.F., and here today and landed the crew of the Swedish bark Norrakent, Capt. Anker, which was abandoned in a sinking condition.

The Norrakent was built at Clifton, N.S. in 1877 and was a vessel of 1,132 tons. Her builder was J. Crowe.

MORNING'S NEWS.

LOCAL.

The Carleton open air rink is now in excellent condition for skating.
Str. Ocampo, from this port for the West Indies, left Halifax yesterday.
St. John equity court will open tomorrow morning, Judge Barker presiding.

Rev. T. J. Delmstadt, delivered a temperance address in the Union hall yesterday afternoon.
Hamilton's mill, Strait shore, closes down today for the winter season, after a steady run of about eight months.

W. W. Hubbard and J. F. Tilley have returned from the big stock show at Chicago, and the Ontario winter fair at Guelph.

Rev. W. L. Beers will lecture before the Unity Club this evening at the Unitarian Church. Subject: The Present State of Religion in France.

The Boys' Brigade of St. Mary's Church will hold a jolly entertainment tomorrow evening in the school room of the church.

Harry Irvine, son of J. E. Irvine, has received a lucrative appointment from the New York Life Assurance Co., which makes him director-inspector of the company's interests in New Brunswick.

The many friends of Mrs. Josephine Baird, who has lately been under the X-ray treatment in the city hospital, will be pleased to hear that she is recovering and expects to be at her home on Princess street on Christmas day.

An important meeting is called at the guild of all the members of the order of the King's Daughters and Sons, Monday at 7:30 p. m., to make arrangements for the funeral of the late president.

The Carleton lodge of 'Prentice Boys hold a supper and entertainment in the Oddfellows' hall this evening. There will be a good supper and an excellent entertainment and the boys should have a good house.

The choir of the Tabernacle Baptist Church and the church's pastor, Rev. Mr. Roach, entertained the sailors at the Seamen's mission last night. The service of song and praise was greatly enjoyed and heartily entered into by the mariners.

There will be a musical evening at St. Stephen's church guild this evening. It is understood that the tender of John Flood and Edward Bates for the construction of the new engine house in this city will be accepted. The amount of the tender is in the vicinity of \$72,000.

Frank Hamm, son of Policeman Hamm, of the North End division, is on his way home from South Africa. He had been a trooper in the South African constabulary for a year or so, but has obtained his discharge.

Last Tuesday the following four New Brunswick were elected members of the city council of Boston: Henry S. Clark, builder, and Wm. A. H. Crowley, cloth cutter, both natives of this city; Edwin T. McKnight, lawyer, and Joseph I. Stewart, contractor.

The fourth lecture of the course of the Society of Sacred Studies will be delivered on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, by Dean Partridge at the Church of England Institute. Admission to these lectures, which commence at eight o'clock, is free.

H. W. Woods of Welsford, Queens Co., N. B., has placed his order with E. Leonard & Sons for one of their latest style and strongest portable mill outfits for the proper development of his lumber operations on his large timber areas in the vicinity of Welsford.

The ferry steamer Western Extension is now on the blocks at South Rodney wharf. It is expected that the necessary repairs to her hull will be completed in a few days. As the machinery is all in readiness, the steamer will soon be put on the route. The Ounquandy will then receive a thorough overhauling.

Dr. J. P. McInerney delivered a very interesting lecture yesterday afternoon before St. Peter's Young Men's Association, in their new quarters. Dr. McInerney's subject was Physical Culture. There was a large attendance among those present being John L. Carleton and Hon. R. J. Ritchie. Harry Grady, president of the association, occupied the chair.

Citizens generally can help the orphans by procuring tickets for the Orphan Band concert to begin in York Theaters on Friday, Dec. 19th, in aid of Protestant Orphan Asylum. Miss Shute, A. C. Ritchie, D. B. Pidgeon and St. Andrew's Church male quartette will sing at this concert, and Rev. J. A. Morison will give some of Dr. Drummond's readings. Tickets may be obtained at W. C. R. Allan's, where the seat plan is shown.

PROVINCIAL.

Schooner John C. Gregory, Capt. Barnes, is frozen in at Dorchester.
Dr. S. G. Ritchie, of Halifax, and Miss L. Carrie Evans, second daughter of Rev. Dr. Evans, were married at Hampton Thursday in the Methodist church by Rev. W. W. Lodge.

Alexander T. Ross and Miss Charlotte M. Henderson were married by Rev. D. Henderson at Chatham on Wednesday evening last.

It was 25 degrees below zero at Truro on Saturday night.
Nearly \$5,000 of the \$9,500 required to liquidate the Fredericton Y. M. C. A. debt has been pledged.

Miss Maud Ferguson, of the Fredericton Gleaner business staff will be married this week to Harry Currie, of Woodstock.

Several thousand dollars will be spent this winter repairing the highway bridge over the river at Fredericton. Teams are now able to cross the river at Fredericton on the ice.

Robert Cochran has been appointed caretaker of the Fredericton rifle range at \$400 salary. For some months his only duty will be to watch the snow-banks.

CANADA'S FOREIGN TRADE.

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The Maritime Winter Fair Opens Tomorrow.

Tickets will be sold good going any train tomorrow (Tuesday, 16th) and good to return up till train leaving Amherst at midnight on the 18th for \$2.50. This rate applies to all stations as far east as Hampton. From Passages to Sussex the rate will be \$2.25 and from Plumwescap to Petticoat \$2.00.

Every one should take advantage of these low rates to visit the Winter Fair.

E. B. ELDERKIN, President.

HE PAID UP.

Jacob Lahood has been dodging the police for some time. He was requested to take out a license for the privilege of doing business in the city, but stated that he had a place at Gagetown and was going up there. He didn't go, but has continued in business here. This morning upon the earnest request of Sgt. Campbell Lahood paid the required \$7.50.

THIS EVENING.

"Practice Boys" concert in Oddfellows' Hall, Charlottetown.

Lecture by Rev. W. L. Evers before Unity Club, on "Present State of Religion in France."

Meeting King's Daughters to arrange for Mrs. Macmillan's funeral.

Musical evening at St. Stephen's Guild.

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THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Forecast: Maritime. Fresh to strong north-westerly winds, fair and cold; Tuesday, winds becoming southerly, fair and milder.

LOCAL NEWS.

Morrell & Sutherland's store will be open every night till Christmas.

Thursday night, Victoria Rink grand opening. Popular music, beautiful ice. Reduced season tickets. They make great gifts.

Rev. C. T. Phillips will deliver a lecture in the Main Street Baptist church on Wednesday evening on "What the Deacon Said."

The Boston express came in about half an hour earlier than today and the C. P. R. express from Montreal was an hour and a quarter late.

Proprietor McCaffrey, of the Queen Hotel, Fredericton, is in town, staying at the Dufferin. He states that in future dinner will be served in his house beginning at 1 o'clock, and supper will occur at 6 p. m.

A small boy practicing pitching for next year's baseball succeeded in putting an in-shoot on a snowball and drove it through a window in George Murphy's carriage shop on Main street on Saturday.

On account of the postponement of the Van House concerts the Harris Festival chorus rehearsal will not be held until Thursday evening of this week in the C. of E. Institute.

Members of the Local Council of Women will attend Mrs. Macmillan's funeral in a body at Centenary church tomorrow, Tuesday. They are requested to meet promptly at two o'clock at 219 Princess street for that purpose.

Eight hundred cattle for shipment on the S. S. Alcides are on their way down by the I. C. N. L. The Alcides will sail Thursday. Another cattle train is expected later with 50 more for the Concordia, which is scheduled to sail from St. John Christmas Day.

Geo. G. Scovil, M. P. P., is in the city today. He states that about the usual amount of lumbering will be done in his section of Kings county this winter. The fact that the snow fell before the swamps were frozen is something of a drawback.

Harry McKie, son of Conductor James McKie, of Charlottetown, and who has for some years been in the employ of R. T. Holman in Summerside, P. E. I., has secured a position with Emerson & Fisher of this city.

The stall holders in the country market have started decorating their places for the Christmas season, and from all indications the market will present quite a gay appearance. Christmas beef and turkeys are now beginning to come in and the prospects are good for a brisk business.

Court Epping east, J. O. F. meets in annual session this evening at the Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street. Election of officers for 1903 and other important business, including initiation of new members, will take place. All members are requested to be present.

James O'Brien, Hugh McGuire, Leo Mahoney, Louis Harrington, John Riley, Hugh McCormack, and Frank McKeown have been reported to the police by Charles E. Gormley for standing on the sidewalk in front of his place on Main street and using insulting language on the 13th and 14th insts.

MORE COMPLAINTS.

The Police Magistrate and Deputy Chief Jenkins Do Not Agree.

During the hearing of the report against Edward O'Brien for managing a business in the city without a license, Magistrate Ritchie remarked that the only persons, not ratepayers, who could work in the city without a license were policemen imported from Washademoak. This has not been received by the police with any alarming amount of gratification and Deputy Jenkins, who, by the way, comes from the Washademoak, requested the Star to say:

"In regard to the magistrate's statement that members of the police force imported from Washademoak can work in the city without a license, not being ratepayers, I wish to say that it is a lie. There are now on the force three men from the Washademoak. I am one of them, and have been a ratepayer for over twenty years, another man has been a ratepayer for six years, and the third man for one year. The magistrate appears to take every opportunity of throwing dirty slurs at the police."

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 15.—The schr. Carmena, from P. E. Island, with a cargo of meat and poultry, has been wrecked at Lamaline. The crew was saved.

The schr. Northern Light, from St. John's for Pogo, Newfoundland, laden with provisions, is a total wreck near Burnt Head. The crew was rescued. It is feared wrecks have taken place on the more remote northern coast. The effects of the gale are almost without precedent.

GLoucester, Dec. 15.—A telegram received today by the owners of schooner Dreadnaught, Captain Edward Wentzel, stated that the vessel is ashore at Sulpin Lodge, near Lunenburg, N. S., and full of water. The crew is safe.

THE FOUR DOUGS.

The three Douglasses to whom reference was made in the Star last week, are at the Grand Union awaiting the arrival of Peter Verigin, the Douglass exile and leader, who comes on the Lake Champlain. These three who started out on the recent mad pilgrimage, they like Canada and are doing well. Peter Verigin was an exile in Siberia for sixteen years, and his brother's eight years, for refusal to serve in the army. One sister was also exiled. The three men at the Grand Union are robust, intelligent looking men.

DIED SUDDENLY

Resident of Adelaide Road Falls Dead on the Street.

George J. White, a laborer, living at 100 Adelaide Road died very suddenly between one and two o'clock this afternoon. Mr. White was one of the teamsters employed by the city in hauling snow off the streets and had just gone back to work after dinner. He, in company with other workmen, was engaged in filling his sled with snow on Winter street, near the school, when he was suddenly seen to fall forward on the ground as if in a fit. His fellow workmen at once ran to his assistance and carried him into Green's grocery store on the corner. A messenger was sent to telephone for a doctor, but before he even reached the telephone Mr. White, who was summoned, viewed the body and decided that Mr. White's death was due to heart failure. Under the circumstances no inquest was considered necessary.

Undertaker Chamberlain was notified and removed Mr. White's body to his home on Adelaide street.

Mr. White was fifty-five years of age and leaves a wife and several children. The latter are grown up, and some of them are living in the United States. One son is the employ of Stetson, Cutler & Co.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS.

At the Baptist ministers' meeting this morning there were present Rev. W. H. Roach, B. N. Nobles, Alexander White, G. O. Gates, Dr. Black, Dr. Manning, C. Burnett, D. Long, G. N. Stevenson and G. C. B. Appel. In the absence of Rev. A. T. Dykeman, Rev. H. H. Roach occupied the chair. Exchanges were reported between Rev. B. N. Nobles and G. N. Stevenson, and Alex. White and D. Long. Dr. Manning preached a missionary sermon in Portland, Me., last evening.

The Rev. H. H. Roach conducted services at the Home for Incubates yesterday afternoon and at the Seamen's Mission in the evening. A missionary service was held last evening in the Coburg street Christian church, under the auspices of the Christian Women's Band of Missions. One baptism was reported from the Tabernacle church. The remainder of the session was taken up with a discussion of the biblical view of the Atonement.

The preachers convened at the usual time and place. Rev. H. Penna, presiding. After reading scripture by the secretary, Rev. Chas. Comben led in prayer.

There were present Revs. Dr. Sprague, G. M. Campbell, T. J. DeLoraine, S. Howard, H. Penna, Dr. Wilson, W. J. Kirby, C. Comben. Services were as usual yesterday, except that Rev. C. Comben preached in Carmarthen street at both services, in place of Rev. C. W. Hamilton, who was preaching the missionary sermon in Moncton.

Rev. Mr. Morson preached in Portland, and Rev. Dr. Manning and the pastor held a platform meeting in behalf of missions at night. Rev. A. M. Hill and Rev. Mr. Kirby exchanged pulpits in Fairville.

The order of business was reached and on motion the matter of the emergency fund meeting was left to the individual pastors.

The discussion of the paper read by Rev. C. W. Hamilton last week was postponed till next Monday on account of the absence of Mr. Hamilton. A general discussion on church matters occupied the rest of the session. Adjourned with benediction by Rev. Dr. Sprague.

TONIGHT'S CONCERT.

Postponed Till Tomorrow Evening. Late Trains Delay Mr. Van Hoose.

Mr. Spencer received a telegram early this morning from Mr. Van Hoose, the tenor who was to appear in the Opera House tonight, to the effect that owing to a long detention of the New York train, he did not arrive at Boston last evening to connect with the train for this city. In consequence, the concert will necessarily be postponed till tomorrow and Wednesday evenings. Patrons who please note particularly that tickets procured for this evening's concert are good for tomorrow night, and those purchased for tomorrow evening can be used Wednesday night. Mr. Van Hoose will arrive on tonight's train, the Miss Wetmore, the soprano, came from Boston at noon. No music lover can afford to miss this great opportunity, which may never occur in St. John again. Many good seats still remain, which will be rapidly taken up to-morrow. The artists will appear in Frederick Thursday night, instead of Wednesday.

THE LATE DR. HARDING.

The funeral of the late William S. Harding, M. D., took place this afternoon. A very large number of citizens attended to pay the last tribute to one who was universally respected. Members of the Loyalist Society, of which he was a life long member and vice-president, were there, as well as a large delegation of members of the medical profession and men in other walks of life. At half past two o'clock the remains were taken from his late home on the corner of Union and Dorchester streets to St. John's Stone church, where service was conducted by Rev. John deSoyes. Interment was made in Fernhill.

AFTER THE AUCTIONEERS.

The city chamberlain is after the auctioneers, and the whole of those who are doing business in the city are being notified to take out licenses. It is said that none of them have licenses, and are still holding sales. The amount required by the city is eighty-four dollars every half-year and the chamberlain reports that none of the auctioneers have paid up beyond the first of November.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN IN.

The Elder-Dempster liner Lake Champlain, which sailed from Liverpool Dec. 3, arrived off the island at eleven o'clock this morning. Dr. March boarded her there this afternoon. To-night she will come up and dock at No. 3 berth, Sand Point. The Lake Champlain brings 180 steerage passengers, a number of first and second class and a large freight.

ORIANA ARRIVES.

Furness Boat in After 18 Day

Trip—Manchester Boat

Struck Ground.

Trader Went Ashore at Port Medway but Suffered no Damage—Steamers Sailing and Arriving.

The Furness liner Oriana out from Liverpool since November 28, came up the harbor this morning and docked at the I. C. N. pier at ten o'clock. She comes in ballast and will load here and at Halifax with general cargo.

Capt. Anderson reports a trip replete with wild storms ever since leaving the other side. Gales from the north-westward and westward have continued nearly every day with intense cold and frequent snow storms, making the passage necessarily slow. There were no untoward incidents on the voyage beyond painful injuries received by the captain in a fall on the slippery deck.

The steamer arrived off Partridge Island last night at five o'clock and lay there till this morning when the port physician boarded and examined her.

The steamer Manchester Trader, of the Manchester line, left Port Medway, N. S., yesterday for Halifax to take in more cargo. She leaves tomorrow for Georgetown, P. E. I., to finish loading.

While going into Port Medway to load pulp there for London the Trader grounded slightly. She was taken off without much trouble and on Saturday a diver was brought up from Halifax to examine her bottom. No damage was discovered and she was allowed to proceed.

At Halifax yesterday the Furness line steamer London City, arrived after a very rough trip and the steamer Cambrian King, from Antwerp for Boston twenty-four days out, put in with steering gear broken and just enough coal in her bunkers to bring her in. The captain reports experiencing terrible weather during the entire passage. The steering gear broke a week ago and since then steering was done by ropes from the rudder, led to one of the steam winches.

Lake Champlain, from Liverpool, is due at this port today. She brings 12 cabin, 40 second and 750 steerage passengers.

The Donaldson s.s. Alcides will not complete discharging her inward cargo at the government wharf till tomorrow. Then she will move over to No. 4 berth, Sand Point. An extra dock is being fitted up for the accommodation of live stock. She is to take to Glasgow 500 cattle and 16 horses. A large quantity of lumber will be required for these fixtures and quite a gang of carpenters are employed on the job.

The Allan liner Corinthian, Capt. Numan, sailed about noon yesterday for Liverpool via Halifax. She was very quickly discharged and loaded, having reached St. John on Thursday evening. The cargo taken in here consisted of 35,000 bushels of wheat, 85 carloads of provisions, 30 of flour, 100 standards of deals, and a lot of general stuff. Her passenger list on her way to Liverpool will include 20 cabin, 16 second cabin and 100 steerage passengers, of whom 60 will go on board at Halifax. She had altogether 617 cattle and 144 sheep.

The Elder-Dempster s.s. Lake Megantic, Capt. Taylor, took her departure from Sand Point for Avonmouth shortly after the Corinthian sailed yesterday. The Megantic has on board 20,000 bushels of oats, 16,000 of wheat, 350 standards of deals, 5,000 boxes of cheese, 3,000 sacks of flour, 6 carloads of hay, 3 of eggs, 10 of meats, and 75 standards of shooks. Twelve cabin, 25 intermediate and 56 steerage passengers go over in her.

VENEZUELA

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tured have been sent to a certain West Indian Port to be refitted to cruise during the blockade. The destruction of the Venezuelan craft, it is added, was necessary in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Venezuelans, as the German vessels have to leave La Guayra.

Venezuela's proposition has now been received here. The foreign office says that this will not delay measures previously decided upon by Germany and Great Britain. The officials here do not indicate what will be the final decision on the arbitration proposition, but apparently it was made too late to affect the general situation.

LATEST REPORT.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—An expression of desire for a peaceful settlement of the difficulty has been received in London from the Venezuelan government.

THE WINTER FAIR.

The Winter Fair at Amherst opens tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The railway offers excursion rates to the fair which lasts three days. Tomorrow's programme will be:

Address—President.

Presentation of Building by the Fat Stock Show Commission—C. A. Lusby, Esq., chairman.

Reply—F. W. Hodson, Dominion live stock commissioner.

Formal Opening—Hon. W. S. Fielding.

Addresses—Prof. Robertson, Hon. B. Rogers, P. E. I.; Hon. L. P. Farris, N. B.; Hon. T. R. Black, N. S.

Immediately following the opening ceremonies, judging of live stock in the ring will commence.

8 p. m., public meeting, Hon. W. P. Pipes, chairman, when addresses of welcome will be delivered by Mayor Curry, Town of Amherst; Warden Seaman, County of Cumberland; H. J. Logan, M. P. Replies will be made by Hon. W. S. Fielding, finance minister of Canada; R. L. Borden, M. P.; Hon. L. J. Tweedie, premier of New Brunswick; Hon. Arthur Peters, premier of Prince Edward Island; Hon. Geo. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia; Prof. Robertson, Dominion commission of agriculture; Archibald McNeillage, editor of Scottish Farm, Glasgow, Scotland.

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POLICE COURT.

From the Cold and Snowy Banks of Loch Lomond.

The three specimens who sat on the bench this morning looked almost as healthy as a bunch of North End policemen. Two of them were old offenders, and one of these sat unmoved under the awful crime with which he was charged. William Mattox, although he did not fully realize his position, was charged with being "a vagrant, having no visible means of support." William had been working at Loch Lomond, but took the high-road and came to town on Saturday night. He promised faithfully to go by some other route and remain away for the winter. He and his true love may never meet again on the cold and snowy banks of Loch Lomond. William thanked the court for the freedom granted him and left for parts unknown.

On Saturday night Henry Lovitt should have been in his bed where he might have been warm and comfy, but instead of this he was wandering around Union street loaded for bears, eight dollars or thirty days.

Gustave Lundberg, from Sweden, was passed along from one person to another until, charged with liquor, he fell into the arms of the police on Britain street. He pleaded guilty to being drunk and was fined four dollars.

A SAD ANNIVERSARY.

Says the Ottawa Free Press of Dec. 7th:

Last Saturday was the anniversary of the sad drowning accident by which Miss Bessie Blair and Mr. Harper lost their lives. To escape the awfulness of an anniversary, Mr. Blair took his younger daughter, Miss Audrey Blair, down to New York for Saturday and Sunday, but Mrs. Blair preferred to remain in Ottawa. Her eldest son, George Blair, came up from St. John, N. B., to bear his mother company during the sad day. Mr. and Mrs. Blair were accompanied to New York by Miss Lucy Kingsford and the party returned to Ottawa on Monday night.

MINING STOCKS SOLD.

Auctioneer Potts sold at Chubb's corner, Saturday, 500 shares of Gold King at 60c. per share; 5,000 shares of Golden Tunnel, at 8c. per share; 1,000 shares of Union Consolidated Oil, at 20c. per share, and 25 shares of New Brunswick Oil, at \$7.50 per share. Auctioneer Lantulum withdrew the Anning property on Union street at \$5,300. He sold 50,000 shares of Bear Gulch at 40c. per share.

WEST INDIA LINE.

The "Orinoco" left Bermuda at 3 p. m. on Saturday, and will therefore be due here on Wednesday.

Games, baskets, ornaments, plaques, etc., 19c. tonight at 7.30. Morrell & Sutherland.

The concert recently given by the members of St. Mary's Boys Brigade will be repeated by request in the schoolroom tomorrow evening.

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