

NO REBATE ON LUXURY TAXES PAID ALREADY

Finance Dept. of Canada Announces it Can Make No Returns for Late Sales.

BUSINESS PROFITS TAX FOR SESSION

Sir Thomas White Praises the Gov't for Removing the Tax in Interests of Trade.

Ottawa, Dec. 20—Those who may have been hoping to secure rebates of luxury taxes charges on articles bought, perhaps late last Saturday night and returned to the storekeeper today, are doomed to disappointment.

The Business Tax

There has been no decision by the Government as to removal of the business profits tax, according to Hon. R. W. Wignome, Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue.

Next Session's Task

It is expected that there will be consideration of this tax in connection with the next budget which the Government hopes to have ready for presentation in a very short time after the opening of parliament.

Action is Wise

Toronto, Dec. 20—The Government has asked wisely in removing the luxury tax and in doing so at the present time, instead of waiting until the next budget, said Sir Thomas White, former minister of finance, today.

Valuable Christmas Gift

"Sir Henry Drayton has made a most valuable Christmas gift to trade and industry and to the people of Canada generally," said Sir Thomas White today.

KEMAL PASHA'S PEACE TERMS

Nationalist Leader Declares Smyrna Must be Returned to Turk Rule.

Constantinople, Dec. 20—Mustapha Kemal Pasha, the Turkish Nationalist leader, communique to the Turkish Government today the conditions under which he is prepared to negotiate with the Allies.

INDICTED IN "BUILDING TRUST" NUMBER 120

Fifty-Two More Were Held Yesterday for Alleged Violation of Anti-Trust Law.

New York, Dec. 20—A blanket indictment against 52 defendants, charging violation of the State Anti-Trust Law, was returned today in connection with investigation of the "Building Trust."

Prisoner Ponzl Writes A Song From Solitude of His Penitentiary Cell Now

Boston, Dec. 20—Charles Ponzl, whose slogan last summer of "50 per cent profit in forty-five days," won him the confidence of thousands of investors and ultimately a five year prison sentence in the jail at Plymouth, has written words for a song.

PRETTY MAIDEN LURES VICTIMS TO GANG'S DEN

Pearl-Handled Revolver Compels Obliging Men Who Aid "Lost Girl" to Give up Cash.

VICTIMS TIED TO POST OF A BED

"Go in or Get Filled With Lead" Startling Order of Beautiful Girl.

Chicago, Dec. 20—A pretty girl with a pearl-handled revolver yesterday played a leading part in three daylight holdups in the north side residential district.

In each case she pretended to be lost, stopped a passerby and asked him to direct her to an address which always proved to be only a few doors distant.

After three men had been robbed and tied the bandits left. One of the victims broke loose and notified the police.

Robbers entered a department store yesterday morning and stole \$5,000 from the stockroom. A policeman on guard was wounded in an exchange of shots.

DARTMOUTH MAYOR FINED FOR TOO MANY PERMITS FOR LIQUOR

Charge Was Laid by the Chief of Police of His Own Town.

Dartmouth, N. S., Dec. 20—Dr. H. O. Simpson, mayor of Dartmouth, was ordered by Judge Foster in the town police court this morning to pay \$25 as a penalty for violation of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act or go to jail.

MUST PAY THE DUTY ON CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Ottawa, Dec. 20—The impression that Christmas presents are exempt from duty is corrected in a brief statement issued from the Customs Department as follows:

CANDY MAKERS SORE BECAUSE CLASSIFIED WITH LIQUORS AND CARDS!

Montreal, Dec. 20—An association was the abolition of the luxury tax in part, the candy makers of this city protested vigorously today against their product being classified with liquor, cards and playing cards.

FOREIGNERS WORK: BRITISH WALK STREETS

Hamilton, Ont., Workless Complain Bitterly of the Treatment They Receive.

ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST OWN SUBJECTS

Sawyer-Massey Co., Closed for Some Time Past, Re-opens on 20 p.c. Reduction.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 20—Numerous grievances were aired by men out of work at a mass meeting here this afternoon.

Claims Foreigners Work

Statements were made that some of the large industrial concerns in this city were running seven days a week, twelve hours a day and employing foreigners, while British subjects were walking the streets looking for work.

Saskatoon Has Smallpox

Saskatoon, Dec. 20—Forty cases of smallpox are reported in this city today, and the health authorities are requesting all citizens to take precautions to guard against the spread of the disease.

TWO CIVILIANS FAILED TO STOP AND ARE KILLED

Police on Way to Church Are Fired Upon by Sinn Fein Party.

HOME RULE BILL SAFE FROM CHANGE

Lords Agree to All the Amendments Made by Return to the Commons.

Dublin, Dec. 20—Two civilians, Michael Walton and Patrick O'Connor, were shot dead yesterday afternoon at Clonsilla, County Tipperary, for refusing to halt when charged, according to a statement issued from Dublin Castle.

TWO MINISTERS ARE RE-ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Little Interest in Nomination Proceedings at Gagetown and Burton.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 20—Hon. Dr. J. E. Hetherington, provincial secretary and minister of agriculture, who were recently made members of the provincial government led by Hon. W. E. Foster, were today elected by acclamation in the by-elections in Queens and Sunbury counties.

Standard Oil Magnate Sued Because His Income Tax Report is Incorrect

New York, Dec. 20—The United States Government today brought suit against John D. Rockefeller for \$282,878, charging that his income tax report was "incorrect, misleading and false."

DOUGHTY IS REMANDED

Toronto, Dec. 20—John Doughty appeared in police court this morning charged with kidnapping Ambrose Small, millionaire theatrical man and the largest of \$100,000. L. F. Hall, manager, K. C. Doughty's counsel pleaded not guilty to the charge and reserved election.

WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA

The Finance Department at Ottawa has announced that there will be no rebates allowed for taxes imposed under the former Luxury Tax.

The Retail Merchants' Association will urge the removal of the luxury taxes remaining in force.

Hamilton, Ont., Workless men declare that foreigners are still working in factories while Britishers are waiting the streets.

The C. N. R. will reduce all shop wages ten per cent. on January 1st, and reduce working hours to 40 per week.

Hon. Dr. Hetherington and the Hon. D. McCreagh, called to the New Brunswick cabinet, were re-elected by acclamation yesterday.

United States announced that the extent of the new duties it proposed to impose against import trade.

Police raids in New York to check the crime wave, veterans offer the city their assistance.

Toledo thugs raid express office and carry off safe with \$18,000 in it.

Bishop C. S. Bureau, of New York dies very suddenly.

SOUTH AMERICA

The victims of the recent earthquake are now known to number over 400 at least.

TWO CIVILIANS KILLED IN A RAID IN COUNTY CORK.

Home Rule Bill amendments have been adopted by the House of Lords.

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U. S. EMBARGO PUTS DUTY ON N. B. POTATOES

Twenty-Five Cents Per Bushel is Rate Proposed by Fordney Measure.

THIRTY CENTS BUSHEL TAX ON ALL WHEAT

Claim New Duties Will Bring United States at Least \$130,000,000 Annually.

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One Year in Jail For Not Reporting Debt Owed Germany

New York, Dec. 20—Dr. Edward A. Rumely, former publisher of the New York Evening Mail, and S. Walter Kaufman and Norville Lindholm were sentenced to prison terms of one year and one day each in Federal Court here today on conviction for conspiring to withhold from the United States Government knowledge of the alleged German ownership of the newspaper during part of the war.

Guilty of Keeping News Dr. Rumely and his co-defendants, who are both New York attorneys, were found guilty by a jury on Saturday of having failed to report to the alien property custodian a debt of \$1,617,000 to the Imperial German Government.

The charge that the German Government actually owned shares of the newspaper's stocks were not proved.

MASKED ROBBERS HELD UP OFFICE AND STOLE SAFE

Beat Guards Insensible, Then Threw the Safe in Motor and Escaped.

POLICE ARE OUT AFTER THE GANG

Shotguns Served Out to Constables Who Are Searching for the Gang.

Toledo, O., Dec. 20—Six men armed with shot guns and with the lower part of their faces covered by bandannas held up the employees of the American Railway Express Company here early tonight and escaped with a safe containing about \$16,000 in cash and Liberty bonds.

The holdup took place on Summit street, the city's main business thoroughfare, less than four blocks from police headquarters.

When the guards stepped outside the store the six bandits drove up in two automobiles and the chief executive of the city and responsible for the maintenance of law and order, may determine that their services are required.

KINGSTON WANTS TARIFF LEFT AT PRESENT RATES

Brush Makers Suggest a Scale for British Preferential Trade Dealings.

INDUSTRIES SUGGEST SLIGHT CHANGES

Raw Articles for Their Business Could be Treated With More Leniency.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 20—The final sitting of the Dominion tariff commission opened here today in the city hall when Sir Henry Drayton and Senator Robertson heard several deputations from local and outside concerns in regard to the tariff.

Mr. Mackinnon, in presenting his case, asked that the tariff on brushes should be as follows: Paint and varnish brushes, except hair, pencils in gutta, British preferential 17 1/2 per cent; intermediate, 25 per cent; general, 25 per cent brushes of all kinds, not otherwise provided British preferential, 25 per cent; intermediate, 35 per cent; general, 35 per cent.

BISHOP BURCH DIES SUDDENLY IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 20—Charles Sumner Burch, Bishop of New York, died suddenly here today. Heart failure is thought to have caused his death.

SEVEN YEAR OLD CHILD TRAVELS 2,500 MILES ALONE

Comes from Peace River Crossing to Quebec to Start Her Education.

Quebec, Dec. 20—Antoinette LeFevre, aged seven, arrived in the C. P. R. station this morning after completing a trip of 2,500 miles from Peace River Crossing, absolutely alone.

She was accompanied by her aunt here, where she will stay until her education is complete, she will rejoin her father, who is a farmer, living fifteen miles from Peace River Crossing.

POLICE RAIDS FAIL TO STOP CRIME WAVES

Every Pedestrian on Unfrequented Streets After Midnight to be Investigated.

VETERANS OFFER TO HELP THE CONSTABLES

Half Hour Meal Time of Police is Cut off So They Can Remain on Watch.

New York, Dec. 20—Raids by police fail to stop crime wave. Thus read headlines in New York newspapers tonight after what was described as the first day of "the most sweeping round-up of crooks in the history of New York."

During the day, amid numerous robberies, which listed on police records another murder by gunmen who invaded the Seaman's Mission in water-front and shot and killed one man while stealing \$400.

To Stop Everybody. But at roll call in police stations this afternoon were read two orders that indicated Commissioner E. Bright Sanders to push the round-up to the limit.

The second order revoked permission for policemen to take half an hour for meals while on duty.

Cuts Off Meal Time. Revocation of the meal hour permission came after the board of auditors had postponed until tomorrow further consideration of request by Com. Bright for nearly 800 more uniformed members of his force.

Meanwhile criminal courts cleared their calendars for action against robber bands. All case against burglars and highwaymen were advanced and heavy penalties inflicted in cases where a verdict of guilty was returned.

While the municipal authorities were preparing to launch their official offensive on the underworld, the American Legion, merchants associations and other bodies met to lay plans of their own.

IRISH ROB MAIL TRAIN; ESCAPED WITH TWO BAGS

Sergeant Who Successfully Resisted Attack on Post Warned of Another.

FIFTY ARMED MEN STOP THE TRAIN

County Cork is Scene of the Latest Outbreak Again the Railways.

Dublin, Dec. 20—A big raid on a mail train was reported today from Charleville, County Cork, fifty armed and disguised men held up the train at the station and removed twelve mail bags, which later were recovered in a hedge nearby.

Two of the bags had been emptied. The sergeant commanding the force which recently successfully resisted an attack on the Bellinagh County Longford, police barracks was said today to have received the following anonymous communication:

SEES CLEAR WARNING IN BANKER'S SPEECH

London "Times" Financial Editor Comments Upon Message of Sir H. V. Meredith.

London, Dec. 20—The financial editor of the Times, commenting on the remarks of Sir H. Vincent Meredith, President of the Bank of Montreal, at its annual meeting observed that while his speech was full of underlying confidence in the future of Canada, it was characterized by some plain warnings.

Canada, like the United States, was realizing that the true economic outcome of the war, namely the destruction of wealth and therefore of purchasing power can only be corrected by provision of credits for foreign buyers by those countries whose credit it has been least impaired.

HALF OF ISLAND OF GRAND MANAN HAS SNOW FALL

Storms Interrupt Mail Service and Give Only Two Arrivals in Week

Special to The Standard
Grand Manan, Dec. 20.—Grand Manan has been treated to the first snowstorm of the season and that storm seemed unusually freaky, as it covered the island only as far north as Woodward's Cove, the part of the island near there to North Head being without evidence of this nocturnal visitor. The snow has fallen on a march on Santa Claus, insofar as the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ingalls are concerned. These young people are being congratulated on the arrival of their first born, a fine boy, who arrived early last Friday morning.

Native of Grand Manan
The people of Grand Manan are interested in the announcement that the Rev. Robert G. Fulton has accepted an invitation to the pastorate of the Centenary Church in St. John. Mr. Fulton is well and favorably known here, Grand Manan being the scene of some of his earliest work in the ministry. Mrs. Fulton is a native of Grand Manan, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fraser, of Woodward's Cove. A number of the parents and others of Grand Harbor attended the formal closing of the Public School there, which was held on Thursday afternoon last. The first hour was spent in an examination of the pupils on the work of the term in which they acquitted themselves with credit to their teachers. This was followed with a suitable programme which also was well rendered. The teachers for the next term have been Mr. Guy Cheney, principal; Miss Hilda Guphill, intermediate; and Miss Twillish Brown, primary. Miss Guphill, who has been a member of the staff during the past three terms now returns. The home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Grand Harbor has been brightened by the arrival of a daughter, born on Friday morning, the 17th inst.

Mail Service Interrupted
For the third time this season Grand Manan last week had two mail deliveries, the storm of Tuesday and Wednesday morning last preventing the service from St. John until Thursday, thus making possible but one more service during the week. The only solution of the Grand Manan Mail problem that is worthy of a moment's consideration is that of a daily service to and from St. Andrews. The branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia which has been conducted at Grand Harbor by the staff of the branch at North Head since the opening last winter has been closed for the winter months, the last service having been on Tuesday last. This branch service has been a great convenience to the people of the southern part of Grand Manan and its closing for the winter months is much regretted.

Inspection of Epidemic Hospital

Mayor and Commissioner Bullock Made Tour Sunday—Nothing for Publication.

Mayor Schofield and Commissioner Bullock paid a tour of inspection to the Epidemic Hospital on Sunday. As a result of their visit a conference will be held with the Minister of Public Health today. The hospital commissioners have urged the need of increased accommodations at the hospital in each annual report they have submitted for many years. As the matter rests in the hands of the municipal council, it is believed that the mayor and commissioner's visit was for the purpose of personally investigating existing conditions. With this information in hand they will confer with the Hon. Dr. Roberts today as to what can be done to make the best of the present plant. The result of the conference is to be embodied in the hospital budget, which will be submitted to the municipal council's finance committee which meets in January.

Douglas Avenue Tenders Opened

Tenders for the excavation and back fill for the extension and sewerage to the vacant lots on Douglas Avenue were opened yesterday morning at the committee meeting of the Common Council and referred to the Commissioner and Sewerage and the City Engineer for a report. Two of the tenders overlooked the fact that all cheques had to be certified and this will probably throw their tenders out of the running. The negligent ones were N. J. Leבוד and Peters and the Stevens Construction Co. The tenders were as follows:

Rock Earth	
N. J. Leבוד and Peters	\$6.95
St. John Circle No. 145 O. C. H. C.	6.50
A. George Moore	4.24
Stevens Construction	5.00
Day, Sibley and	2.76
Robt.	6.00

ANNUAL MEETING
St. John Circle No. 145 O. C. H. C. had their annual meeting last night and elected their officers as follows: W. C. Brown, Leader; E. B. Marshall, V. Leader; H. E. K. Loring, Rec. Sec.; Mrs. J. S. Howelling, Fin. Sec.; Mrs. V. V. Vines, Chaplain; H. C. Martin, Warden; W. Irwin, Marshal; W. A. Harnett, Guide; Wm. Gaskin, Sergeant; E. E. Logan, P. Leader. Reports of the officers and committees on the work of the year were most gratifying and served the Club to be in a most prosperous condition.

Dr. Daniel Resigns From Hospital Board

Has Been Member for Twenty-Eight Years—Successor Appointed Today.

The resignation of the chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the General Public Hospital, Senator J. W. Daniel, M. D., was presented at the committee meeting of the common council held yesterday morning, but action was deferred until the council meeting today. Dr. Daniel wrote that owing to the fact that he was out of the city a great deal of the time and therefore unable to give to the office the attention which it deserved he felt he must resign. Commissioner Thornton moved the resignation be accepted but on the suggestion of Commissioner Bullock action was deferred until the council meeting, when it expected the vacancy will be filled. Dr. Daniel has been a member of the board for twenty-eight years.

Trades and Labor Request To Council

Delegation Heard by City Fathers Yesterday—Want Employment Bureau.

The matter of municipal employment bureau was brought before the Council again yesterday when a communication from the Trades and Labor Council was read and a delegation heard in support of the resolution. The communication asked the Council to immediately enter into an agreement with the Federal and Provincial Governments for the opening up of an office here under the scheme proposed by the Federal Government, and that the Council memorialize the Dominion Parliament to pass legislation putting all private employment agencies out of business. F. A. Campbell, president of the Trades and Labor Council and J. E. Fisher were present and spoke in favor of the adoption of the resolution and action as proposed under it. Mr. Campbell said he felt the opening of a bureau here would be of great benefit, and the money so expended well spent. At the present time there was no central clearing house to which the applications for jobs and a list of jobs available could be referred, and this resulted in many not finding work. Another reason for opening the office here was that he understood the Federal Government had a fund of \$2,000,000 for relief in needy cases, but he had been informed that this amount would only be distributed through the Government employment bureaus and no community which did not have such an office would receive any aid from this fund. Mr. Fisher endorsed the remarks of Mr. Campbell and urged the members of the Council to forget for the present that all the other provincial governments were not asking the municipalities to pay part of the cost of the upkeep of such offices, but remember the need of the working man. To show the need of such an office he stated that the winter date there had not been at any time more than fifty per cent of the members of the unions working at once and they found it necessary to restrict membership to the city and county of St. John. They were assured of sympathetic consideration of their request.

WILLIAM PENN'S WIFE.
It was in the Spring of 1872 that William Penn announced his intention of taking into himself a wife, and the ceremony followed early in April of the same year, the young lady being Galleima Maria Springett, daughter of Sir Williams Springett. Penn was then in his twenty-eighth year, and had several times been imprisoned for preaching the Quaker doctrine. A few years after his marriage he inherited through his wife the estate of Worthington in Sussex. The first Mrs. Penn was an amiable and pious woman, and Penn's love for her is expressed in many letters, written to her before he sailed for America in 1822. Galleima Penn died in 1894, having given the founder of Pennsylvania two sons and a daughter. Albert Smith, M. J. A., elect for Albert county, was in the city yesterday.

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Mr. Herbert Osborn Tells How Cuticura Healed His Wife

"My wife began to be troubled with itching and burning of the palms of her hands and the soles of her feet. Later the skin cracked and became inflamed, making walking or even standing very painful and preventing sleep at night. Later it became so bad that she was obliged to use every remedy known to her, but to no avail. She was treated but obtained no relief. She saw an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and Ointment and sent for a free sample. She bought more and after using two boxes of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Cuticura Ointment she was healed." (Signed) Herbert Osborn, 133 Sherbrooke Ave., Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 2, 1919.

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DIED.
POTTS—Suddenly, at her residence, 225 Rockland Road, on Dec. 18th, 1920, Annie Allard, beloved wife of Walter S. Potts. Leaving her husband, one son, one daughter, mother and three sisters to mourn. Funeral on Tuesday from her late residence. Service at 2.30 o'clock. **WOODS**—At Wellford, Dec. 19, infant daughter of Harry and Hannah Woods.

C. N. R. SHOPS MAY CLOSE

Moncton, Dec. 20.—C. N. R. officials and shop employees at a meeting here today discussed the reduction of staff on operating on part time. No decision was announced officially, but it was reported that the shops here would close for a week for a general overhauling December 29th, and after resumption of work employees would have Saturday off instead of Saturday afternoon as at present.

TWO BURNED TO DEATH

Balfour, Man., Dec. 20.—Thomas Grayson, and his son, Thomas, were burned to death Sunday night in a fire which totally destroyed their farm home three miles from this village. The origin of the fire is unknown. Mr. Grayson, a successful farmer and pioneer of the Glaston district, and his son, were the only occupants of the house.

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Our entire stock of Kiddies' Gifts at greatly reduced prices.

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The Finest Coats and the Greatest Values in This Handsome Fur shown in St. John.

You have everything to gain and nothing to lose by buying your FUR COAT here and NOW, instead of waiting for the "January Sales."

There are only a few of these attractive Coats left. When they are gone, you will not get such values or such attractive models in the "January Sales."

\$250.00 for guaranteed Electric Seal Coat with Taupe Fox cape collar, bell cuffs and border—Poplin lined—Belted style.

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Trimmed with Alaska Sable collar and cuffs, Lined with fancy silk, full 40 inches long. Un-Crepe-de-Chine.

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Fine Pure Linen Handkerchiefs up to \$1.25.

Gloves **\$2.50**
Tan Mochas and Tan Cape Gloves with heavy wool linings.
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A fine gift for a man—Mercerized Fibre Silk, Accordion Silk, or heavy wool.
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Silk Mufflers in beautiful designs.

Gift Hosiery **\$1.25**
In Silk, Cashmere, Worsted and fancy mixtures.
Other prices range from 75 cts. to \$3.00.

NO LUXURY TAX

OAK HALL

Scovil Bros., Ltd. - King St.

For the Girls' Work Committee

Mrs. J. B. Hunter told of the organized for the Corona and worth girls. Miss Woods active groups, one in Fairview at Centenary church. Corona girls held a tea raising funds for Christmas dinners for the girls.

Work Among Girls.
Miss Woods read a paper the Sunday School Teachers' convention and has given talks in the churches on work among girls. Mrs. Bertram Smith for the her ship committee, gave a report, telling of forty new members, fifty-six janitors a sustaining. Total 106.

Cafeteria Report.
In the cafeteria report Mr. Din reported that the resignation account of ill health of Miss home assisted has been received. Miss Lily Fraser in her place. The Residence Club has had two interesting meetings. They are raising funds gramophone. Meals have been at the cafeteria as follows: the public, 1,841; to the officers and girls 3,619—a total of 5,460.

Christmas Celebration.
The board decided that Christmas will be celebrated at the T. home, and at the King street.

United States than any other testimony of thousands of eradicated such distressing.

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Cut into U. S. Business.
Montreal, Dec. 20.—Canadian Government Merchant Marine vessels continue to cut into American business. The Canadian Navigator is reported having left New York December 17 for Europe. The Canadian Sower arrived at Cap De Graciosa on December 13 and is loading there for Boston.

Bristol, Dec. 15.—Six str. Hoping broke, St. John, N. B.

BRITISH PORTS.
Liverpool, Dec. 19.—Six str. Metagams, St. John.
Glasgow, Dec. 19.—Six str. Pretorian, St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS.
Antwerp, Dec. 19.—Six str. Sicilian, St. John.

AMERICAN PORTS.
Boston, Dec. 16.—Six str. Moonlight, from Elizabethport for St. Stephen, N. B.
Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 17.—Arr and six str. Holmes A. Frank, Liscomb, N. S., for New York.

W.C.A. Board Was In Session

Reports Received Yet Most Encouraging Campaign Announced

The activity of the physical culture which was reported at the day afternoon's meeting of the W.C.A. board greatly impressed present; Mrs. Weyman presented report which told of the success of the pencil stamping campaign \$220; of several hikes with and games played out of door formation of the Corona Club; the term's review of state school and other evening interest and enthusiasm part of members. There are classes at the "gym" under Littlefield's instruction. Mrs. J. A. McAvoy presided yesterday's meeting. After exercises led by Mrs. Z. Cowan, McAvoy spoke of a letter from Lady Faulkner, stating Student Volunteer Movement separated from the Y. W. C. that an organization meeting held at Guelph early in January.

Girls' Work Committee
For the Girls' Work Committee Mrs. J. B. Hunter told of the organized for the Corona and worth girls. Miss Woods active groups, one in Fairview at Centenary church. Corona girls held a tea raising funds for Christmas dinners for the girls.

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WOMEN'S PAGE

Y.W.C.A. Board Was In Session

Reports Received Yesterday Most Encouraging—Pencil Campaign Amounted \$220

The activity of the physical committee which was reported at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Y. W. C. A. board greatly impressed those present. Mrs. Weyman presented this report which took up the results of the pencil campaign amounting to \$220; of several hikes with supper and games played out of doors; the formation of the Corona Club and their "evening" classes; basketball games; the term's review of Witan-stated school and other events showing interest and enthusiasm on the part of members. There are thirteen classes at the "gym" under Miss Littlefield's instruction.

Mrs. J. A. McAvoy presided at yesterday's meeting. After devotional exercises led by Mrs. Z. Cowan, Mrs. McAvoy spoke of a letter received from Lady Faulkner, stating that the Student Volunteer Movement had separated from the Y. W. C. A., and that an organization meeting will be held at Guelph early in January.

Girls' Work Committee.
For the Girls' Work Committee, Mrs. J. D. Hunter told of two clubs organized for the Corona and Woodworth girls. Miss Woods has two active groups, one in Fairville and one at Centenary church. Centenary girls held a tea raising funds to provide Christmas dinners for five families.

Work Among Girls.
Miss Woods read a paper before the Sunday School Teachers' Association and has given talks in many of the churches on work among girls. Mrs. Bertram Smith for the membership committee, gave a splendid report, telling of forty new regular members, fifty-six janitors and two sustainers. Total 106.

Cafeteria Report.
In the cafeteria report Mrs. Lagdin reported that the resignation on account of ill health of Miss Bailey, house assistant, has been reluctantly received. Miss Lily Fraser will act in her place. The Residence Girls' Club has had two interesting meetings. They are raising funds for a gramophone. Meals have been served at the cafeteria as follows:—To the public, 1,841; to the officials, staff and girls 3,619—a total of 5,460.

Christmas Celebration.
The board decided that Christmas shall be celebrated at the Transient home, and at the King street "Y" by

LET'S TALK IT OVER

CHRISTMAS GIVING.
In spite of all the advice to "shop early," Christmas week finds many of us with still a lot to do. While all realize it is both wise and kind to do one's purchasing at an early date, it is so hard to grasp the fact that the 25th will soon be here. It is very difficult for most hearts to feel as generously inclined the first of December, as they do when holly and greenery trim the stores and people go about the streets parcel-laden.

Regarding Christmas giving, there is another note which is sounded annually and which it seems necessary to sound a more "present" but to let some personal touch go with the gift? It is so flattering to know that your friend remembers your taste or has planned for your pleasure. Let it not be as a pliant in a recent periodical states—
"It's Christmas Day for some, but December 25th for me."
The needy will, with our city's well-known largeness of heart be well cared for and there is no greater satisfaction than giving to those who might otherwise be neglected, check

an extra good dinner, and that decorations shall be provided. New Year's will also be observed in this way.

Miss Millican, financial secretary, stated that the Foster campaign results were \$650, much less than was hoped for.

Traveller's Aid.
In her report of the Traveller's Aid, Mrs. Jamieson stated the work of Miss Hoyt and her assistant as followed—Trains met 314; boats, 29; helped at station, 129; taken to Transient Home, 136; employment found for 7.

Belyea-Jamieson
Special to The Standard
Moncton, Dec. 20.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Tompkins was the scene of an interesting event on Friday evening when Wally G. Belyea was married to Miss Elizabeth Jamieson, formerly of Dalhousie. The groom formerly resided in St. John and the bride is a well known nurse. Mr. and Mrs. Belyea will reside in Moncton.

ing little children, or feeling the holiday. In this connection if you feel obliged to give a useful present do not buy a toy or a bag of candy in the parcel. While the mother of six will be delighted with the warm clothing for the children, it is hard for five years old to seem enthusiastic when Santa Claus leaves a pair of mittens or some groceries at the door.

There are a large number of people without a home and nothing you can do will give more pleasure than to share your home with someone who boards. Remember the "roomers" too, and imagine yourself getting a Christmas dinner over a gas plate, or eating your meal that day, in lonely splendor at a restaurant. One citizen last year, asked at an institution for names of inmates who had no homes to go to and made bright and happy time for a borrowed family.

As the term Xmas is passing into disfavor, so the real spirit of Christmas is becoming more and more prominent. While for many it is a day to be lived through, still it can always be a Happy Christmas by making it a Merry one for others.

WEAKER TONE TO WHEAT MARKET IN WINNIPEG AGAIN
Cash Demand Was Poor But December Premium is Well Maintained Throughout.

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The undertone to the wheat market today was decidedly weaker and the volume of business was very light. The cash demand was poor and while the December premium was well maintained, the cash premium was narrowing throughout the session, and No. 1 Northern closed 1 cent over No. 2 Northern 2 cents under and No. 2 Northern six cents under. The cash position now has almost reached the point where deliveries will be made on the December contract.

TORONTO
Toronto, Dec. 20.—Manitoba oats, No. 2 cw 52 3/8; No. 3 cw 49 1/8; extra No. 1 feed 44 1/8 all in store Fort William. Northern wheat, new crop No. 1 Northern \$1.88 3/8; No. 2 Northern \$1.85 3/8; No. 3 Northern \$1.81 3/8; No. 4 Northern \$1.84 3/8, all in store Fort William.

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UNION BANK MAKES ANNUAL STATEMENT

Special to The Standard.
Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The balance sheet of Union Bank of Canada for the current year shows quick assets of \$23,293,583 against liabilities to the public of \$161,226,785, or 54.36 per cent, compared with 49.6 per cent last year. Current loans in Canada show a decrease of about \$7,000,000, or about 8.2 per cent, in spite of inclusion of a new item in the assets column, viz., \$10,732,755 loans on grain.

LONDON BANK SUSPENDS.
London, Dec. 20.—Parsons Bank, an institution doing business largely with small depositors in the suburbs of London, where it had numerous branches, posted a notice this morning that payments had been suspended. The bank, which had a capital of one million pounds sterling and deposits unofficially estimated at possibly from two million pounds to three million pounds, gave no immediate explanation for its step.

RAW SUGAR PRICES HIGHER AND FIRMER

New York, Dec. 20.—The raw sugar was firm and higher today on sales of 11,200 bags of Peris in port and about a total of 3 3/4 cts., equal to 5.01 for centrifugal. Refined was quiet at 7.90 to 8.00 for fine granulated, with no increase in the demand. The higher ruling of the spot market led to covering in futures, and together with a little demand from trade sources accounted for a sharp upturn in values. Prices at mid-day were 17 to 35 points net higher.

LONDON OILS
London, Dec. 20.—Calcutta linseed, 233 1/2; linseed oil, 40s.; sperm oil, 450. Petroleum, American refined, 29s. 1 1/4; spirits, 2s. 4 1/4. Turpentine spirits, 100s. Rosin, American strained, 39s.; type "G" 40s. 6d. Tallow, Australian, 60s., 6d.

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That was fifty years ago. For fifty years this Favorite Prescription of Dr. Pierce's has sold more largely throughout the United States than any other medicine of like character. It's the testimony of thousands of women that it has benefited or entirely eradicated such distressing ailments as women are prone to. For over fifty years some of Dr. Pierce's home medicines have been selling over the drug counters, so that more than forty-eight million bottles have been sold during that time. This speaks well for the reliability and value of Dr. Pierce's standard home remedies. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a blood tonic and strength-builder which contains no alcohol, yet has tonic qualities that have endeared it to the American public. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, composed of May-apple, aloes and jalap, have long been considered a reliable vegetable laxative, in the same way that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has long been recognized as a tonic for diseases peculiar to womanhood. More recently that wonderful discovery of Dr. Pierce's—namely, Anurie (anti-uric-acid), has been successfully used by many thousands of people who write Dr. Pierce in unequalled terms of the benefits received—that their backache and other symptoms of kidney trouble have been completely conquered by the use of Anurie.

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POTATO GROWERS FLOOD CAPITAL WITH PROTESTS

Ottawa is Told by New Brunswick Growers That Embargo Means Ruin.

WEST NOT ALARMED OVER WHEAT CASE

Capital Inclined to Think United States Will Not Adopt the Measure.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—That there is considerable alarm throughout Canada over the possibility of the United States congress yielding to the demands being made across the border for the placing of an embargo on the importation of foodstuffs is indicated by telegrams being received by the government and the heads of the government departments.

Down in the maritime provinces the people are particularly alarmed over the prospects of potatoes being shut out of the United States as it is realized that the loss of the chief market for the leading products of the maritime province farms would mean stagnation for the agricultural industry of the provinces down by the sea.

Less in West.

The situation would be no less alarming for the wheat and cattle industry of the western provinces were an embargo to become effective.

In official circles, however, there is a disposition to doubt the possibility of the United States congress yielding to the pressure for the prohibition of importation of the products of the farm. Canada is one of the best customers the United States has and it is not generally believed that congress will sanction legislation which would have the effect of seriously disturbing trade intercourse between the two countries.

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SCHOOL CLOSING AT GREY'S MILLS

Grey's Mills, N. B., Dec. 20.—The school at Grey's Mills in charge of Miss H. E. Puddington held their closing as usual. A large number of parents and friends were present. A programme of lessons and school work was carried out, followed by Christmas songs, recitations and dialogues.

Rev. Mr. Waterhouse presented Messrs. Markin MacDougal and Edith Smith with rewards for attendance. He then addressed the assembly, highly commending the teacher and pupils for their work, and gave a very eloquent address on the duty of parents and pupils in regard to school work, and was warmly applauded.

Mr. S. H. Bradley (trustee of the school) followed and congratulated teacher and pupils on the excellent way in which the school work had

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been carried out during the term. The school room was prettily decorated; a Christmas tree laden with beautiful gifts testified to the esteem in which both teacher and pupils are held. The teacher received a beautiful mounted ebony dresser set beside numerous other individual gifts from her pupils. The pupils each received gifts and a Christmas treat.



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MAIL LOSSES WERE LESS

Regina, Sask., Dec. 20.—Saskatchewan's losses from mail in 1920 were very much lower than in the previous year, according to a special report by A. E. Fisher, superintendent of insurance for Saskatchewan. Returns are not complete yet, but data they show a loss ratio for 1920 which is only a little more than half the loss for 1919, when the premiums of the best companies amounted to \$2,214,987 with losses paid totaling \$1,906,208, loss ratio of 78.02, while the loss ratio for 1920 is estimated at approximately 41.

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FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Agnes McNeill was held yesterday noon from the residence of Mrs. J. St. Patrick at 43 St. Patrick street, Cathedral, where burial took place by Rev. A. P. Allen, who is the new Catholic vicar. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Woods will regret the death of their baby who

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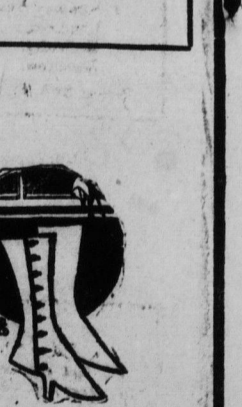
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FUNERALS
The funeral of Miss Anna Teresa McMillan was held yesterday afternoon from the residence of her parents, 48 St. Patrick street, to the Cathedral, where burial services were held by Rev. A. P. Allen. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Woods will regret to hear of the death of their baby which occurred

on Sunday. The funeral took place at Westford on Monday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. J. Prescott. The little one was born on December 15th and was thus just one week old at the time of his death. Dangerous curves in Wyoming are to be marked by highway "right-houses." Flashes of nine-inch yellow rays, 45 times a minute, will designate the spot. All railroad crossings will be marked by red lights.

SUBSTITUTE FOR GASOLINE.
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 20.—Frank Hall, a young student, claims to have discovered a cheap substitute for gasoline which may be manufactured totally from three common ingredients, the nature of which he declines to state at present. The cost would be, he stated, twenty-five cents per gallon. Mr. Hall's mixture ran a stationary engine under identical conditions that would have pertained to gasoline, making only a few minor adjustments in the machine.

OBITUARY
Mrs. James Gordon.
Miss Woodworth, of 14 Clarence street, has received the sad news of the death of Mrs. Gordon, widow of James Gordon of Somerville, formerly of St. John. Mrs. Gordon is survived by one son, Frank, and three grandchildren, all of Somerville; she also leaves many friends in St. John, who will hear of her death with regret.

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CARIBOU ARE NUMEROUS.
Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 20.—Hundreds of caribou are making their annual pilgrimage to the south, say reports from the Yukon. The herds are said to be larger than ever, and one story told of a boat being held up three hours while the animals surged across the river.

Mrs. John Manchester.
Apoahqui, Dec. 20.—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Manchester took place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The relatives and near friends assembled at the family residence, where a brief service was conducted after which the funeral cortege formed and wended its way to the Church of Ascension. On the arrival there, the casket almost obscured by floral tributes was preceded up the aisle by Rev. Canon Shewan, followed by Dr. J. W. Manchester, James H. Manchester and Percy B. Manchester, sons, George B. Manchester, grandson, W. J. Mills and Joseph Barnes, who were the bearers of the pall. The impressive service for "The Burial of the Dead," with suitable psalms were read, "Rock of Ages," "Oh Jesus I Have Promised to Serve Thee to the End," and "Now the Laborer's Task is O'er," were softly rendered by a chosen choir, the second named, being the one selected by her late husband to be rendered at his funeral twenty-five years ago. At the close of the service the people followed the remains to their last resting place in the family lot, in the cemetery outside the church.

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Many friends of the family from other places attended the funeral some of whom were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lison, Mr. E. O. McIntyre, J. H. Mills, Mrs. Oscar Roach, Mrs. E. G. Pitts, J. F. Roach, Mrs. Wm. McDougall, Miss Nettie Simcox, Sussex, Mrs. M. H. Parloe, Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Manchester, St. John, Dr. J. W. Manchester, Wainpeg and many others.

The Christmas Knitter.
We watched her on the car all the way down town. She was making something pink and white and very fancy. Somebody is going to get it for Christmas. And as we watched the beautiful thing taking shape beneath her skillful fingers we couldn't help wondering what it is to be and if it is to be for a man. If it is we hoped he'd know what to do with it.

Council Will Hear Commercial Club
Commissioners Turn Down Proposition for Private Meeting.

The committee from the Commercial Club will meet the City Council at its meeting on Thursday morning and place before that body its request and suggestions re the civic budget. Mayor Schofield asked at yesterday's meeting if it would be convenient for the members of Council to meet the committee from the Commercial Club in his office on Wednesday afternoon, in private session, but the other commissioners failed to see the necessity for this and it was decided to notify them they might attend the Thursday committee meeting and place their views before the Council.

Proposes Trunk Sewer For North End
Com. Jones Would Start This Winter on This Job to Provide Employment.

Commissioner Jones yesterday brought up the matter of a trunk sewer through Newman Brook as one means of providing some civic work for the unemployed in the city and secured from the Council authority to have the city engineer prepare plans and specifications for this work. If the work should be undertaken he proposes during the winter to deepen the brook under the highway bridge and for a short distance on each side, blast away a considerable quantity of rock and get it ready for concrete work in the spring. He gave as his reason for starting work at this point, the probability of the bridge being done away with and the gully filled in to provide a continuous roadway.

Commissioner Bullock suggested that at the same time the engineer prepare plans and specifications for a trunk sewer through the Carleton Mill Pond. Commissioner Frink said he hoped to have a report on his proposition to do some work on Millidge avenue for Tuesday's Council meeting. He was ready, he said, to start the stone crushers and provide work just as soon as the Council provided the money.

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Special offering of Shaker Blankets for Xmas Week.

These come in three sizes and made of best quality shaker. Shown in white with blue or pink borders.

Single Bed Size \$3.75 a pair
Medium Bed Size \$3.90 a pair
Double Bed Size \$5.00 a pair

An Admirable Xmas Gift-- DOWN FILLED PUFFS
Satin Puffs in single and double bed sizes, Down filled, shown in all desired shades of Blue, Rose and Green. \$18.50 to \$60.00 each

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Time and Time Again

Customer after customer who has shopped and compared real value has come to us and volunteered the information that he "could do better here." And these words are especially true TODAY when at this Christmas season economical shoppers rightly seek maximum value.

Gloves That Are Desirable for Gifts Of Volein, Angora, Mocha, Suede Cape, Men's and Women's. Priced \$1.35, \$2.50, \$5.00, \$6.00 and More	Umbrellas Of fine Silk for Men and Women. Most reasonably priced, Now \$3.50, \$6.75, \$12.00 up to \$16.80.	Scarves Made of the finest woolen. Prices begin at \$3.65
Luggage That comes from "Mark Cross" in London. The kind there-fore that is worthy to delight someone Christmas morning. Genuinely discounted at 33 1-3 per cent. Now Priced \$7.35, \$12.85, \$20.00, \$28.75		
Fur Coats For 50 p.c. of their worth. Hudson and Near Seal, Russian Pony, Muskrat, Kolinsky, Raccoon, Priced \$98.50, \$100.00, \$125.00, \$200.00, \$325.00 Now	Small Furs of Hudson Seal, Squirrel, Mink, Sable, Raccoon, Fox, Lynx and others. Chokers, Scarves, Capes, \$7.50, \$8.25, \$10.50, \$11.25, \$12.50 will buy a most desirable gift fur now.	
Hats Dad of course doesn't want anything but—give him a Stetson or Knox. They're fully guaranteed For \$7.00 Now French Silk Plush, Velour, Beavers for women folk. \$4.95, \$5.50, \$8.25.		
Woolen Coats That will surely be needed. Garments that are desirable for gifts. For \$27.00, \$30.00, \$34.00 Now—or Half Price	Frocks For any occasion. Of woolen serge, tricelines, silk, velvet, tricolettes. For 50 per cent. less than their worth. \$15.00, \$19.00, \$21.00, \$26.30	
WINTER CAPES of winter weights, \$1.25, \$2.85 Now		
Gifts of Personality Rich Furs	All Gifts purchased here combinations of quality and economy	

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Sensible Gift Things
Since 1856
ST. JOHN

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH
How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffing, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache—no struggling for breath at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

"What is your occupation?"
"I am a poet."
"Yes, I know, but what do you do for a living?"—Baltimore American.

Winter is here with it's problems. Don't forget the "good portions" unto them for whom nothing is prepared! Appeal.

Christmas Gifts

What more pleasing or useful gift can you imagine than a pair of the following:

Women's Kozy Felt Slippers, \$1.05 to \$3.00
Women's Dainty Bondoir Slippers \$3.00 a pair
Infants' Kid Moccasins in white and brown 60c.
Men's Comfy House Slippers \$2.50 to \$6.00
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Hockey Boots
Ankle Supports,
Rubber Boots,
Overcoats.

We are showing these and many other useful gifts that will please and be of real benefit to the fortunate recipient.

Foot Fitters **McROBBIE** 50 King St. JOHN, N. B.
Store Open Evenings Until After Christmas.

Storm Windows

We have reduced our price on these ten per cent. and can give you prompt delivery.

Order now, save your coat and be comfortable.

HALEY BROS., LTD. - St. John, N. B.

A NICE NEW ELECTRIC
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THE WEBB ELECTRIC CO.
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Asbestos coverings for furnaces and pipes save fuel.

All orders promptly attended to.

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Structural Steel, Bolts and Rods.
WM. LEWIS & SON, ST. JOHN, N. B.

Didn't See the Catch, any more when I saw the first word was "Private."

A well known clergyman is in the habit of repeating his sermons several times over to enable the congregation thoroughly to grasp their meaning. On one occasion, while preaching in a very poor district, he came to the following words: "Who was John the Baptist?" He brought them out slowly and distinctly, and then repeated the words, "Who was John the Baptist?" To his surprise a very sordid looking individual at the back of the church shuffled to his feet and remarked with a smile, "Look here, guv'nor, I know there's a catch somewhere; but come on, who was he?"

Too Much Politeness.

"Now then, young man," said the angry farmer, "didn't you see that board when you came trespassing in these woods?"

"Yes, sir," said the culprit meekly, "Well what did it say?"

"I dunno. I was too polite to read"

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U. S. NAVAL POLICY. The visits of members of the Government and the little jaunts they have had around the harbour, count for nothing; that has been the regular routine for visitors for many years.

As a further reason why it is absolutely unnecessary for the United States to prepare for war with either Britain or Japan, it is pointed out that she is the only one of the three nations which is able to contend with Britain.

As far as Britain is concerned, she is still digesting the naval lessons of the late war. Her naval experts are divided into two schools, one of which favors the capital ship, supported by adequate auxiliaries, the other extensive enlargement of submarine battlegroups, air craft, etc.

The "buying strike" of the public is not mere refusal to buy, but inability to pay the high prices all round. If food, rent, cost of public services, and come down, buying power would be restored.

THE PORT OF ST. JOHN. It will soon be three months since Hon. R. W. Wignmore was returned by the citizens of St. John to represent them in Parliament, in the belief that knowing full well what the harbor requirements of the city are, he would interest himself in getting these requirements attended to without delay.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Traffic in Children. The statement that children may be bought and sold in Hong Kong presents itself to the minds and imaginations of people at home unacquainted with the Colony in a very different light to what it does to the Europeans who dwell here.

Nothing is Left Unsaid. The movie man, who in such a good story-teller in Hong Kong, has a great deal to say about the heathen, he thinks he shall be heard for his much speaking.

The First Steps. It should not be a matter for surprise to read in responsible papers that a denunciation from the great American prohibition organization will, in all probability, shortly be on its way to Malaya to rescue the dwellers of outer darkness from the evils which so ready beset us.

Silk Socks or Homespun. There is a back-to-the-farm movement, or would be if it could stand the climate. Some of the silk shirt boys in town have been thinking about the hatters' flannels.

Lessons in Rationing. Picking her way definitely through the locomotive plant, a young woman visitor viewed the busy operations with awe.

THE LAUGH LINE. Raise Her Wages, Boss? Inquisitive Customer—What's the daily turnover in this restaurant?

Something to be Thankful For. "Pa, somebody has stolen our suit!" "Well, let's be thankful there wasn't more than a gallon of gasoline in it anyhow."

Benny's Note Book. THE PARK AVE NEWS. Weather. Cold winds blowing like heck. Sports. Sid Hunt is thinking of taking up boxing again so when Reddy Nerly insults him he won't feel so nervous about insulting him back.

CASTORIA. For Infants and Children. In Use For Over 30 Years. Always bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson.

Murray & Gregory, Ltd. St. John, N. B. I wish to thank the public for their most generous patronage and to announce that our new term will begin Monday, Jan. 3rd.

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10% Reduction. For the remaining days on Christmas sales. Ferguson & Page. THE JEWELERS -- 41 KING ST.

"GIFTS THAT LAST" Take Dividends In Happiness. Cut a Christmas melon and distribute to the shareholders in your home an extra block of good-will stock in the form of gifts of jewelry.

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Gifts. Make your selection of Fine Handkerchiefs bordered. Narrow. Shirts for work. Sweaters of wool. Smoking Jacket. Gowns. Hudson Seal. Pullover Vest. Fur Lined Coats. Muskrat or Mink. Mackinaws and Top Coats. Knitted Caps. Tweed Caps with Boys Jersey Suit. Woolen Suits. Houses—Suits. etc. (Men's and Boys') Meccanos in all and Electric Motor half price. Real and furniture. St. Skooters, etc. These and many. Christmas N. Whether it's a set of collar or a smart fish, you to find a piece to here. Among the pieces is the Medallion with coat or are very dainty as gifts. Handsome Evening in diamonds and plain colors and combinations. Spanish Lace white or black. Christmas Hat. After all these gift—everybody is more than plenty this year assortment than ever. You some beautiful plain or initialed more dainty ones. Make or Price. Madeira Hand also favorites. (Ground)

STORES OPEN EVERY EVENING UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Christmas Gifts for Everyone

There is satisfaction as well as genuine comfort in shopping for Christmas at this store—One may shop for every member of the family.

Many Articles Have Felt the Influence of Lowered Costs

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Gifts That Will Please Men

Make your selections from this selected list:
Fine Handkerchiefs of linen, silk or lawn. Plain, initialed or colored bordered. Narrow and wide hems.

Gift Gloves—Well known, reliable brands. Many are warmly lined with fleecy wool, knitted wool or fur.

Silk Neckwear—Just what men like in shape, color and pattern. Lower prices are very evident on these.

Garters and Arm Bands, Braces, and Braces and Garters all done up in pretty gift boxes, ready for giving.

Umbrellas in a choice of colorings and well designed handles.

Walking Sticks of various kinds, very suitable for gift giving.

Ebony Backed Hair and Cloth Brushes.

Leather Cigarette Cases, Tobacco Pouches, collar Bags, Razor Straps, Coin Purses, Card Cases, Bill Folds, Key Holders, Writing Cases, etc.

Hand Bags and Suit Cases, Motor Rugs—Thermos Goods.

Shirts for work or for dressy wear.

Sweaters of warm wool.

Smoking Jackets—Bath Robes—Dressing Gowns.

Hudson Seal and Persian Lamb Caps.

Pull-over Vests in knitted wool. Full Dress Vests.

Fur Lined Coats with Otter or Marmot Collars and Muskrat or Marmot linings.

Mackinaws and Sheep Lined Coats.

Top Coats—Suits—Rain Coats, etc.

For The Boys

Knitted Caps and Toques—Knitted Sashes.

Tweed Caps with or without inside bands. Small Boys' Jersey Suits with short pants. Small Boys' Snow Suits made in long overall style with feet.

Woolen Sets of Mitts and Toques to match.

Hosiery—Mackinaws—Gym Pants—Overcoats, etc.

(Men's and Boys' Shop, First and Second Floors.)



High Grade Fur Coats, Neck Pieces and Muffs Selling at Greatly Lowered Prices

This is undoubtedly your chance to buy furs for Christmas gifts or for your own wearing. Every garment is now this season—of high grade quality and workmanship—beautifully lined—and a real wonderful bargain.

Coats are in Muskkrat, Australian Beaver, Taupe Marmot, Black Pony, Natural Raccoon, Sealine, Electric Seal, Hudson Seal and Mink. Many of these are trimmed with contrasting fur.

You will find in the assortment everything that is new in style, pet and trimmings.

Neck Pieces and Muffs

Made of Hudson Seal, Electric Seal, Sealine, Black Lynx, Black Marten, Ring Tail Opossum, Bear, Mink, Black Fox, Taupe Fox, Pointed Wolf, Pointed Fox Taupe Wolf, Black Wolf, and other furs.

At the prices these are offered you, it is wise to take into consideration your needs for some time to come.

(Fur Section, Second Floor.)

Little Girls Would Like These

6 Party Dresses of Georgette Crepe or Taffeta.

Afternoon Frocks of dark colored silk.

Severe School Dresses.

Middy Blouses and Skirts.

Heavy Winter Coats.

Warm Woolen Sweaters.

Dainty Lingerie.

Dark Underskirts.

For Very Little Tots There Are:

Madeira and other Fine Bibs.

Dainty Woolen Jackets.

White and Colored Booties.

Pink or Blue Silk Boots.

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Rompers in cutest styles.

Woolen Scarfs and Shawls.

Toyland and our cases of exclusive novelties in the children's shop will offer many more useful suggestions.

(Children's Shop, First and Second Floors.)

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A new Carpet or Rug and the whole room is transformed.

Choice Oriental Rugs are showing in exquisite colors and designs. You really must see them to fully appreciate their beauty.

Wilson and Axminster Rugs are showing in Chinese effects, Oriental designs and plain centres with straight line borders. Many of these are rare values.

A Bissell's Carpet Sweeper

Floors are of Oak or Mahogany with Japan or nickel finishes. They are spotless and easy running.

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The only machine of its kind made that beats, as it sweeps, as it suction cleans. Every modern home should possess one of these work saving machines. The life of good rugs will be greatly prolonged if cared for the Hoover way. Let us demonstrate at your home or here.

(Carpet Department, Germain street Entrance.)



Christmas Blouses Attractive in Every Detail

Such a variety of real beauties from which to choose. Some are fashioned in popular Over Blouse and Juniper styles, others are tailored or semi-tailored. These are developed in such lovely materials as tricotees, satins, georgettes and crepe-de-chines.

You will find in the assortments dainty colors for evening wear, or darker shades for wearing-with suits or tailored skirts.

Attractive color combinations are also showing. Tucks, silk and wool embroidery and fine laces are used for trimming the various smart models. The assortments include almost every size.

(Blouse Department, Second Floor.)

Umbrellas, Black and Colors

Here's a splendid gift—and showing in many attractive and unusual kinds.

Conservative styles have givver mountings and rings, while others have colored bakelite rings, stub ends and mountings to match.

Handles with riding whip straps are among the novelties.

Colored Silk Umbrellas are in navy, green, purple, taupe and red. Prices range from \$11.00 to \$17.25.

Black Umbrellas, covered with silk, silk and wool or cotton mixtures. \$2.35 to \$22.00.

Silk Underskirts

A gift that always finds a hearty welcome.

Soft silks and jerseys are made up in all sorts of bright colors, as well as darker shades, about effects and fancy patterns.

Some of these are fashioned with rows of narrow frills, others have deep pleated flounces. The qualities and values will meet with your approval.

Specially priced \$5.75 to \$10.75.

From Our Linen Room.

Pure White Bath Towels, 50c. and 75c. each.

White, with blue borders, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each.

Guest sizes in fancy stripe, blue, pink and gold, 50c. each.

Pure Irish Linen Huck Towels, plain, \$1.00, \$1.65 and \$1.75 each.

Huck with Damask borders, \$2.00 and \$2.50 each.

Pure Irish Linen Tray Cloths, plain and hemstitched.

Size 14x20 \$1.00 each

Size 16x24 \$1.90 each

Size 18x27 \$2.00 each

Pure Linen Satin Damask Tray Cloths, hemstitched.

Size 16x24 \$1.50

Size 18x27 \$1.75 and \$2.50

Damask Table Cloths—Size 2x2, \$3.75 to \$25.00 each. Size 2x2 1-2, \$5.00 to \$30.00. Size 2x3, \$5.75 to \$35.00.

Damask Table Napkins—Size 22x22, \$5.00 to \$25.00 doz. Size 24x24, \$6.50 to \$30.00 dozen.

Hemstitched Sheets and Pillow Cases; Satin and Crocheted Bed Spreads in single and double bed sizes showing in great variety.

(Ground Floor.)

Christmas Neckwear

Whether it's a collar, a vest, a set of collar and cuffs or a smart fascia, you will be able to find a piece to your liking here. Among the most popular pieces is the Medici collar to be worn with coat or furs. These are very dainty and will prove popular as gifts.

Handsome Evening Scarfs are in nmons and crepe-de-chines, plain colors and attractive combinations.

Spanish Lace Scarfs are in white or black.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

After all there isn't a better gift—everybody likes to have more than plenty of them, and this year assortments are better than ever. You may choose some beauties from among plain or initialed kinds, or the more dainty ones with edges of Maltese or Princess laces.

Madeira Handkerchiefs are also favorites.

(Ground Floor.)

Perhaps She Would Like Something To Wear

Evening Frocks are wonderfully lovely. Made of metallic tissues, colored tulles, panne velvet and paillettes. Suitable models for every age and taste. Newest colors include Adriatic Blue, Sunkist, Orchid Pumpkin, Sapphire, Orange and others just as unusual and rich. Draperies and overdresses are featured in many variations. Colored ribbons and corsage bouquets and little distinctive touches that really make the frocks worthy the term 'unusual.'

Afternoon Frocks are fashioned of crepe-de-chine, satin, taffeta, and sometimes jersey or other fine woolen materials. Touches of wool or silk contrasting in color contrasting color enliven many of these.

Straight line models are still favorites and in great demand, but there are many more styles that will appeal as equally smart.

Silk Underwear—Here you will find ample room for individual choice.

Night Gowns, Chemises, Camisoles, Knickers and other garments are in soft crepe-de-chines, wash satins and Jap silks. Even the most exquisite taste can be satisfied in such gifts as these.

(Second Floor.)

Gift Sweaters

Girls who enjoy skating and all outdoor sports will find a sweater one of the most acceptable things.

Some of the newest kind we are showing are fashioned with tie-back smashes. These are short and are made in a range of good colors.

Coat and Pull-over styles are also popular and are in various weights and stitches.

The prices are very moderate.

(Costume Section, 2nd Floor.)

Purses and Hand Bags

Made of leather, silk, beads, mesh, velvet, etc. The shapes are exceedingly attractive and the colors just what is wanted for using with winter coats and suits. Kodak Bags made of leather are very smart and are in several nice colors for your choosing.

Hand Bags are almost all beautifully lined and fitted with small vanity mirrors.

(Ground Floor.)

House Furnishings Make Gifts That Are Different

Gifts for the home are enjoyed by every member of the family. All manner of splendid gift suggestions in housefurnishings are showing here now. Here are just a few of timely interest:—

Floor, Chested and Table Lamps with Mahogany standards and beautiful silk shades of rose, blue, gold or combination colorings.

Cedar Chests and Matching Covered Utility Boxes.

Fire Screens, with or without filling.

Blankets and Bed Comfortables.

Curtains and over-Draperies.

Flat or Hollow Silver Pieces.

Community Plate.

Pine China and Cut Crystal.

Candles and Candlesticks.

Ivory Toilet and Manicure Pieces.

Fancy Vases and Ornaments.

Desk Sets.

A glance around our art and housefurnishings department will reveal many more gifts just as interesting.

Every woman likes to own these things for use in leisure hours.

(Ground Floor.)

Christmas Gloves

At the last minute Gloves will be found the good old standby. No woman ever has too many pairs, and you can find here a good variety of different kinds for your selection.

Cape, Chamois, French Kid and Wool in various weights and all fashionable colors, are showing in ordinary style or with gauntlet wrists. Children's Gloves in cape, suede and wool are in all sizes and popular colors.

Christmas Hosiery

You can't go wrong in giving hosiery. Every woman needs a great many pairs to wear with her various colored frocks and suits. Silk Stockings with lace clocks are very popular for gift giving and have the distinction of being just a bit out of the ordinary. Plain colors in pure thread or art silk are showing in reliable makes and best qualities. For those who prefer heavier kinds, there is a choice of several different weights in cashmerette, cotton, Hiale, etc.

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EXPECTED TO DOCK ABOUT NINE O'CLOCK

Governor-General, Sir Robt. Borden and Others at Halifax Awaiting Vessels.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—Wireless advices from the cruiser Aurora, and destroyers Patriot and Paritican, which are now enroute to this port, following their presentation by the British government to the people of Canada are to the effect that they will arrive at eight o'clock tomorrow morning, according to the schedule laid down. At noon yesterday the Aurora reported that the squadron was five hundred miles due south of Halifax and making eleven knots. A continuation of this speed would bring the ships into Halifax at nine tomorrow morning, and the fleet is capable of twenty-nine knots.

Some Big Doings. Following the arrival of the fleet, off the dockyard, Captain Henry G. H. Adams, C. B. E., the commander of the Aurora, will come ashore for the purpose of paying his respects to the director of naval service, Captain Wal-

QUEBEC MINISTER OPPOSES FREE TRADE

Cold Comfort for Mr. King and Mr. Crerar in His Speech.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Speaking at a luncheon tendered him on Saturday at the Canadian Club at the Château Laurier, Hon. J. E. Carson, Minister of Agriculture for the province of Quebec, said he was most emphatically opposed to free trade.

"Free trade would not be a good prospect," he said, "and I am in favor of a moderate measure of protection. Free trade would kill many young farmers just making a start."

ter Hose, R.N., and immediately thereafter will proceed to government house, where he will be received by His Excellency, the Governor General of Canada and his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia. Captain Adams will be followed on his rounds of visits, by the commanding officers of the destroyers and the two submarines already in port, who will make their calls in a body. At 11 o'clock the Governor General will go aboard the ships for the purpose of returning the visits and he will be followed by the remaining members of the official welcoming party, including Right Hon. Sir Robert Borden and Hon. C. C. Ballantyne. An official luncheon will be served aboard the cruiser at one o'clock and later she will be tied to the dockyard wharf. Capt. Hose and the minister of marine spent this morning inspecting the dockyard. Hon. F. B. McCurdy, minister of public works, will not be present for the ceremonies of tomorrow. He left this afternoon for Truro, en route to Ottawa.

BOY SHOT IN SCUFFLE OVER A HUNTING RIFLE

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—Harry Farnham, sixteen, of Riverside, is lying in a hospital here with a bullet wound between the eyes as the result of a scuffle with his brother, ten years of age, who viciously advanced his claims to carry a .22 rifle with which the boys were hunting in the woods near Stowhacks on Friday last.

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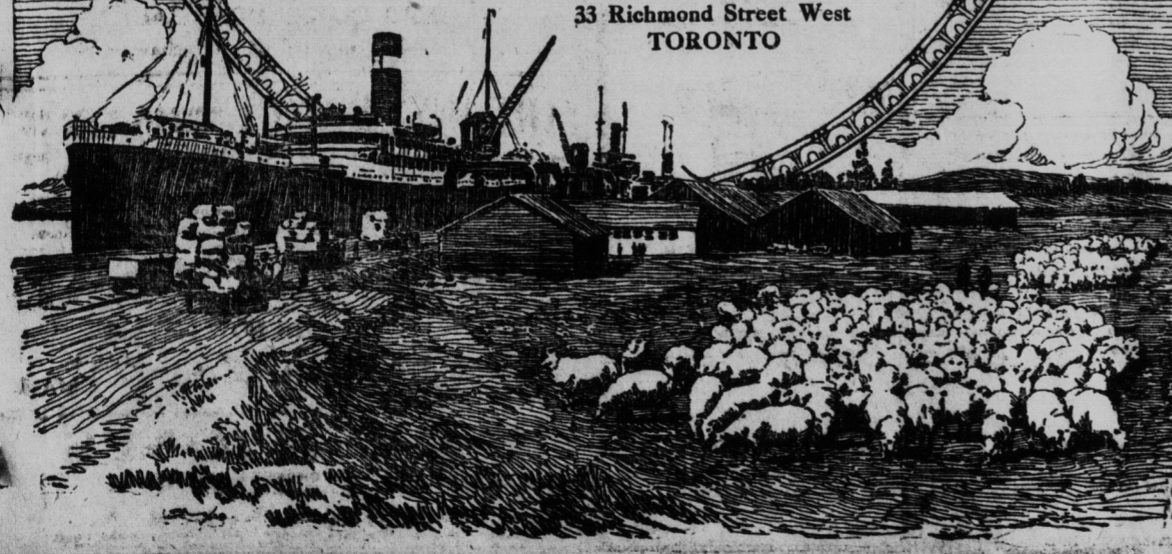
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THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 20.—An area of high pressure extends from Northern Alberta across the Great Lakes to the Atlantic, and the weather is fine over the greater part of the Dominion. It is moderately cold from Ontario eastward, with zero temperatures prevail in the West. A disturbance now over the southwest states will probably move toward the Great Lakes.

St. John 30
Prince Rupert 30
Victoria 40
Kamloops 30
Calgary 28
Edmonton 24
Medicine Hat 20
Saskatoon 16
Regina 12
Winnipeg 8
White River 4
Toronto 20
Ottawa 18
Quebec 14
Montreal 12
Halifax 20

Below zero
Maritime—Fresh west and north-west winds, fair and rather cold.

Northern New England—Fair Tuesday; Wednesday snow, not much change in temperature; moderate west and north-west winds.

AROUND THE CITY

MAKING AN INSPECTION. J. P. Doherty of the C. G. M. M., was in the city yesterday on an inspection trip and left last night for Halifax.

FREE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU. There was opened yesterday at the St. Vincent de Paul Society building, Waterloo street, a free employment bureau, in an effort to provide work for many now out of a job.

ROTARY CLUB LUNCHEON. The Rotary Club was addressed by Rev. J. A. MacKellan yesterday at the weekly luncheon. A large number were present and next meeting it is hoped to have every member present.

SHOPPING CROWDS. Merry shopping crowds thronged the city stores last night and trade was reported lively throughout the evening's opening hours. All stores are to remain open evening this week for the benefit of Christmas shoppers.

"MAGGIE MILLER" OFF THE ROUTE. The Millidgeville ferry closed its season yesterday. This is a very late run for this boat, her record time for quitting being made some years ago when she was running until December 23rd.

MANITOBA BORROWINGS. Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Debitures issued by the province of Manitoba during the fiscal year of 1920 amount to \$15,195,000, it was announced at the parliament buildings. All are short term debentures. The majority expire within a period of five years.

OPPORTUNITY FOR BOYS. Captain Tedford, marine superintendent at Montreal for the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Ltd., advises the president of the Navy League at St. John that his corporation is prepared to place a couple of deck boys on each of its ships. One of the right type who would like to take up this work should consult Captain Monks of the C. G. M. M. at this port.

RATHER SKEPTICAL. The city detective department are rather skeptical as to two alleged attempted burglaries on German street. The break said to have been attempted on Col. Sturdee's residence at the corner of German and Duke streets, was by means of a pantry window facing right in the street. The pane was not cut out but deliberately broken.

UNCOMPLIMENTARY REMARKS. An automobile and public hack became entangled at the foot of King street about 9.20 last night. Each driver passed a few uncomplimentary remarks about the botched work of the other in navigating a vehicle over the city streets. Neither of the drivers or vehicles suffered any damage.

JUDGMENT RESERVED. Before His Honor Judge Armstrong yesterday morning, D. Mullin, E. C. applied for a respite in the matter of Steve Procopuck, now serving sentence in Dorchester after having been tried on a charge of breaking and stealing from A. Gilmore, King street. W. M. Ryan appeared for the Crown. Counsel for the prisoner claimed both misdirection and non-direction in connection with the case at trial hearing. The Honor will deliver judgment later.

Navy League Send Welcome To Navy

The following telegram has been sent by the president of the New Brunswick division of the Navy League to Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of naval service, who is in Halifax awaiting the arrival of the ships of Canada's new navy.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 20, 1920. Hon. Charles C. Ballantyne, Minister of Naval Service, Halifax, N. S.: New Brunswick division Navy League of Canada heartily welcomes advance guard of Canada's new navy.

Accepting the British navy as their exemplar, may it be theirs to live up to the glorious traditions of that navy, to lift high the royal banner of Britain, to defend to the uttermost Canada's interests on sea and shore and to loyally serve as the interpreters of British Canadian thought and ideals in this corner of the empire. God save the king. God bless Canada's navy.

R. B. ARMSTRONG, President New Brunswick Division.

Do Your Xmas Mailing Early

Never in the History of St. John Has There Been Such Heavy Mails.

"Do your Christmas mailing early" is the motto the local post office authorities would have citizens adopt this year. Officials state that never in the history of the St. John Post Office has there been such heavy mails as at the present time. Though the Christmas letters are always heavy, they have started to arrive earlier and in larger quantities this year than ever before, and the staff are kept working day and night to try and make an impression on the oceans of letters and parcels that keep streaming in for delivery from all parts of the world.

Heavy mails arrived yesterday on the French mail, and the Victorian from Liverpool, as well as a heavy unassorted mail from the United States.

Overseas Mail

The Victorian brought 6,000 bags of mail matter, eleven carloads, 20 bags of which was parcel post for local distribution. More Christmas mail is expected on the Empress of France, due to arrive here Thursday.

The Caraquez, which docked here Sunday, brought the largest letter and parcel mail that has ever been received from the West Indies, numbering over 100 bags.

Busy Staff

In addition to sorting incoming mail, the postal staff are kept busy assorting the African mail, which leaves by the steamer Mannon this week, and the French mail, which leaves by the steamer Bennis sailing for Bordeaux, France in a few days.

St. John is the distributing centre for all Canadian mail destined for France or Africa, and the friendships formed by our boys overseas, has resulted in heavy mails to and from France.

Cancelling Stamps

Yesterday six men and an automatic machine were kept busy cancelling the stamps on a deluge of letters which flowed into the post office all day. In the evening it was found that their labors had but begun, and more men were put on as a night shift.

Carriers and Collectors are having their work cut out for them, too. On their first round yesterday the collectors gathered in more mail than they would usually get in a whole day.

Twelve men on foot have been put on the routes in addition to the four teams engaged in collecting.

The Montreal and Boston offices have advised the local authorities that the Christmas mails there are not as heavy as usual.

As this is far from the case in St. John, citizens will be well advised to see that all Xmas parcels and cards are mailed promptly to ensure a quick delivery and avoid the congestion apt to result as Xmas approaches.

Good Roads Assn. Officials Here

Messrs. Squires and McNamee Making Preliminary Arrangements.

The Canadian Good Roads Association Convention will meet in Halifax on April 12, 13, 14, of next year, providing if all arrangements can be completed, and there is every assurance that the association members along with others interested in this important movement will be there on those dates.

Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were: President Squire and G. A. McNamee, of the above named touch all day with T. P. Regan, the touch all day with T. P. Regan, the vice president of the New Brunswick Automobile Association, who is also a director of the Canadian Good Roads Association, as well as being an official who attended conventions in representation of the N. B. A. A number of times. The principal object of the visit of Messrs. Squire and McNamee to the Maritime Provinces was to make arrangements whereby the hundreds of delegates could give the Eastern Provinces a chance for the convention, which has always been held in Quebec, Ontario, or in the west.

Halifax is already making extensive preparations for the opening of the delegates next spring. Hotel accommodation is assured. The new Technical school with its committee rooms will be used, and a good programme will be provided.

The principal business of Messrs. Squire and McNamee to New Brunswick at the present time is to make preliminary arrangements for a large delegation for all interested in good roads to journey to Halifax in the spring to the convention.

Speaking of good roads, Mr. McNamee last evening informed the Standard that the Quebec Association last year spent \$10,000 in tourist literature with the result that they received replies from twenty-eight States and 25,000 people entered Quebec province in automobiles, leaving a great amount of money to all kinds of trades.

Good roads is the principal feature of bringing tourists and there are over one million automobiles within a day's run to New Brunswick. All that is wanted is some inducement and this tourist travel will come to the Maritime Provinces and leave a great deal of money. The representatives left last night to interview the Provincial Minister of Public Works regarding the coming convention.

While in St. John the representatives were shown attention by T. P. Regan, president, and J. M. Robertson, secretary of the New Brunswick Automobile Association.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS.

Robbing The Steamer Imports

Agents Report Considerable Freight is Stolen—Value of Goods Runs to Big Figures.

Local agents of steamship lines using this port report that more or less pilfering of freight, unloaded from ships at West Side sheds, is taking place daily.

Value of Goods

The value of goods taken and carried away has been known to run into hundreds of dollars some days. While on other days it has not been so extensive, but there is scarcely a day that the pilfering has not gone on to some degree.

Last season the loss of goods from the sheds reached huge proportions, it is said, and the settlement for the losses but big gaps in the freight receipts. Agents say the real lifting occurs when a cargo of whiskey arrives. It is then that all who pass through the sheds feel they have a right to help themselves and are not especially interested with officers or others in charge of shipments.

Police Staff

The C. P. R. has rushed an extra staff of policemen here this season in an effort to afford better protection to property, but, despite that, the taking and carrying away goes on. Much of the goods taken is said to be dropped to motor boats waiting at a convenient spot near the wharf, and then scooped to a suitable place where the plunder is distributed amongst the gang.

Harbor Patrol

The harbor patrol boat is again being actuated for the city. Many shippers are of the opinion, if such a boat were in operation, it would have a restraining influence upon those who prowl the waters by night seeking to lift from boats and wharves that to which they are entitled.

Evening Was Greatly Enjoyed

Santa Claus Gave Among Presents a Gold Locket to Chief Clerk.

The employees of the Imperial Oil Co. enjoyed a pleasant Xmas entertainment and dance in the company's new office on Broad street last evening. A large tree was loaded down with gifts, and when Santa Claus appeared, during the latter part of the evening every employee was fittingly or misfittingly remembered. As Santa was somewhat rushed in selecting his gifts, and some very funny incidents featured his distribution of them.

He made no mistake when he came to the Chief Clerk, William Garbutt, however, who was presented with a solid gold locket. Mr. Garbutt has been transferred as head clerk to the company's office in Hamilton, and the locket was presented as a token of his fellow-employees' respect.

The popular official thanked his fellows for their kind gift in a neat speech.

At the beginning of the evening, Irving Appleby rendered a pleasing vocal solo. "Trust and Master Norman Magnusson sang several popular songs. Both were warmly applauded. Later in the evening Master Magnusson recited "Seeing Things."

The dance programme included some eighteen numbers. The dances were fittingly entitled the "Premier" one step, "Polaris" fox trot, and "Jolly McTavish" waltz proved very popular.

Refreshments were served. The chaperones were: Mrs. John Reid and Mrs. I. G. O'Neil. The reception committee, Miss E. McAlley and Miss G. Bustin.

Takes Exception Regarding Report

Commercial Club Secretary Points Out There Was No Request for Secret Session.

When Mayor Selphoff announced at the common council meeting yesterday that a delegation from the Commercial Club asked to be heard in the Mayor's office on Wednesday afternoon next, Commissioner Thorpe is reported to have said he was opposed to private sessions. Commissioners Frink and Bullock concurred. The Mayor then fixed Thursday morning for the hearing in committee.

Last evening H. R. McLellan, secretary of the Commercial Club took exception to the remarks of Commissioner Thorpe on private sessions. Mr. McLellan explained that at the last general meeting of the Commercial Club when the civic board was discussed the Secretary suggested that the club send a committee to the City Hall in regards securing information as to how the budget was made.

Yesterday morning Mr. McLellan said he called on the Mayor and asked how the committee from the Commercial Club would meet the commissioners, and the Mayor decided that three o'clock in his office on Wednesday afternoon would be the time.

Continuing Mr. McLellan informed the Standard that the Mayor was not trying to arrange any secret meetings nor was the Commercial Club, so far as he (Secretary McLellan) knew the Commercial Club will court all publicity possible in connection with the civic government programme, acts or results.

Mr. McLellan said it was rather amusing to hear any outcry against a meeting, even if the Mayor decided to hold it in his office, as it could be as public there as if it was held in the committee room.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS.

Luxury Tax Removed Business Increases

Everybody Happy—Benefit to Trade Exceeds All Expectations—Retailers Satisfied.

The abolition of the Luxury Tax has given a stimulus to trade that all merchants hoped for, but the wide range of benefit has exceeded their fondest expectation. Monday was the first day of trade without the handicap imposed by the luxury tax and, if the comments of the retailers are to be relied upon, it was surely some day.

Everybody Happy

There was a different atmosphere about trade. The clerks were happier, the customers satisfied in that they felt they were not being "touched" and all trade took on a more cheerful swing from the standpoint of the merchant. Business was greatly facilitated. No time was lost by clerks having to scan the schedule of luxuries and figure out what each purchaser had to contribute to the maintenance of the Government. Easily a third more customers were attended to than if the tax had been in force.

Country Folks Pleased

Merchants all agreed, when questioned by the Standard that there was a greater trade from the country in articles yesterday than has been enjoyed for some months. Out of town visitors frankly told the merchants it was the removal of the tax that had encouraged them to come to the city and do some Christmas shopping.

Retailers Satisfied

D. J. Brown, of Macaulay Bros., was most enthusiastic over the results of the first day's operation with the tax abolition. "There was a different spirit," he said "in all departments. Clerks were more cheerful. Patrons of the store took a greater interest and it all worked to the mutual advantage of merchant and purchaser. It has already proven a great boon to trade."

A. Nell McLean, President of the Retail Merchants' Association was no less enthusiastic than Mr. Brown in his favorable comments on the day's trade. He cites several incidents of customers from Sussex who didn't hesitate to say it was the abolition of the tax that brought them to the city to do some shopping.

It is the belief of the merchants that business will take on greater speed today, as the public become better acquainted with the fact that the luxury tax is a dead issue and no longer a brake on business.

ARRANGING XMAS BOXES

Tomorrow will be a busy day among the various charities. Patrons of the and officers of the Sunday schools will gather at their respective school rooms to arrange the Christmas boxes to be sent out. The work of distribution will take place on Friday.

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

Traders are of the opinion that turkey for the Christmas dinner will be scarce. The turkey made in Carleton and Victoria Counties brings the information there are no turkeys in that section all having been bought "on the hoof" by Americans.

Miss Margaret Hanson, in charge of the music in the Public Schools of Hpluton, Maine, is spending the holidays with her parents, 66 Pitt street.

BEAUTIFUL SERGE DRESSES AT VERY GREAT REDUCTIONS

The Feature Event of Christmas Week at F. A. Dykeman's.

This is without doubt one of the most remarkable sales they have ever advertised—the newest and most stylish dresses of the season going for a mere fraction of their real value.

Regular \$62.50 for \$37.50; regular \$40.00 for \$27.50; regular \$26 for \$18.90, etc. All wool Botany Serges in navy blue, brown and wool Jerseys, in several colors, prettily beaded or "Zib" embroidered, and the new style accordion pleated skirts, etc. Every dress a wonderful bargain. See these in their windows.

EMERSON & FISHER'S store will be open every evening up to 10 o'clock from now until Christmas. They still have a few Art Metal Electric Table Lamps to clear at 20 per cent. discount.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

Last Christmas shirts neckties and mufflers many shirts were purchased here for gifts. Looking over our sales it is surprising how many included one or more shirts for his stocking. Our stock nearly all new, having come in within the last two weeks. Dress shirts, soft and stiff fronts in the correct modes; handsome effects in silk and soft front cotton in late designs. Prices \$2 to \$11.—Gilmour's, 68 King St.

A WARNING

A man pretending to be a collector for the New Brunswick Telephone Company has been endeavoring to collect telephone accounts in the City. He has been described as dressed in a gray overcoat and hat, of fair complexion and about twenty-three years of age. Subscribers are warned not to pay telephone accounts to any unauthorized persons and are requested to communicate with the telephone company manager's office, Main 3400, at once if doubtful of any person seeking to collect their account.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE. Victorian Concert Party Tuesday night, eight o'clock, assisted by local talent. Admission 20 cents. Reserved 25.

McMILLAN'S STORE will be open every evening until Christmas.

McMILLAN'S GORGEOUS DISPLAY Christmas Cards, Tape and Seals are now on view. All orders

Xmas Special. Till Xmas Eve Only We Offer A \$4.35 Set of "Wear-Ever" Saucepans (1, 2 and 2 1/2 Qts.) FOR ONLY \$2.19. An Ideal Gift for the Housewife. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. Store Hours from 8.30 a. m. OPEN EVERY NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS TILL 10 O'CLOCK.

Automobile SKATES. Amongst the dozen models in the C. C. M. Automobile line are styles and sizes for Ladies and Men, Girls and Boys, at prices to suit all purses. Special designs for Hockey, for Pleasure Skating, for Racing and Figure Skating. EMERSON & FISHER, - 25 Germain Street.

Our Stores Will Be Open Every Evening Christmas Week. Until Ten p.m. See Special Christmas Ad. Page Seven. Furniture Offers Many Gift Suggestions. Every member of the family gets enjoyment all through the year from such gifts as these: MUSIC CABINETS in mahogany veneer and walnut, \$21.00 to \$30.00. CRUATES, made of brown finished rattan, \$11.75. CARD TABLES with mahogany finished frames and leatherette tops, \$5.75 and \$7.85. With Green Felt tops, \$6.50 and \$8.50. WRITING TABLE DESKS, gumwood, walnut and mahogany, \$38.50 to \$51.00. WOOD BASKETS, made natural and brown finished rattan, \$7.75. REED TRAYS, glass topped with chintz underneath, \$4.50 to \$7.00. MAHOGANY TRAYS, \$7.75 to \$15.00. IMITATION MAHOGANY TRAYS, \$2.60 to \$4.00. REED FOOT STOOL, 11 in. high, 17 in. long and 11 in. deep, \$11.50. OAK TOPPED REED TABLE, 24 in. diameter, fumed finish, \$16.25. REED STOOL, brown finish, 16 in. high and 16x16 top, \$11.00. PARLOR TABLE, mahogany finish, \$15.50. REED TABLE with oak top and shelf. Fumed finish, 30 in. top, \$28.50. Furniture Gifts for the Kiddies: SWINGING HORSES, \$10.50 and \$16.00. ROCKING HORSES, \$6.00 and \$7.00. SMALL HORSES on wheels, \$3.00 and \$4.25. DOLLY WALKERS, a new toy, great fun for little girls, \$1.50. TOY VACUUM CLEANERS, look just like the big ones, \$2.25. TOY CARPET SWEEPERS, \$1.35. DOLL'S SET of Sofa, Two Chairs and Table, made of sea grass, \$5.00. Set DOLL'S SLEIGHS in red, green, grey and white, \$2.75 to \$4.25. We invite you to come in and look around! You cannot help but get many valuable suggestions as to what to buy for Christmas. (Furniture Store, Market Square).

Manchester Robertson Allison & Co. KING STREET GERMAIN STREET MARKET SQUARE.

Furs For Gifts Half Price. Do Your BEST This Christmas. The Gift Supreme—Furs. Make Someone LASTINGLY happy. Here's how you may: Give Dad a Soft Hat, Stetsons and Knox, fully guaranteed, cost \$7.00. Mother would appreciate a Frock, Serge, Silk, Tricotees, \$15.00, \$19.00, \$21.00, \$26.50, \$30.00, \$34.00. Then there are Silk Plush Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Furs. Half Price Now. Page 7 Tells Lots More. D. Magee's Sons, Limited—Saint John, N.B.