

YOUNG GIRL  
DROPPED IN  
THE RIVER

Florence McGuire Lost Her  
Life While Skating Yester-  
day Afternoon.

BROKE THROUGH ICE;  
BODY NOT RECOVERED

Interesting Case to Come Be-  
fore Fredericton Courts —  
Parker's Ridge Elopers Not  
Yet Rounded Up.

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, Dec. 8.—Florence McGuire, the 15 year old daughter of James McGuire, of Victoria Mills, was drowned a short distance from her home this afternoon.

The announcement of an action which has been entered by an advertising man who spent the past summer handling a proposition in connection with the local moving picture theatre against a local business man a member of one of Fredericton's prominent families, has created a sensation.

An effort to locate the daughter of Ex-Cong. Charles W. Pond, of Parker's Ridge, who eloped a couple of weeks ago with a man who is known as H. Stewart, is being made by the police. They spent eight days at the Lorne Hotel here as "H. Stewart and wife, Chatham," and left without the formality of paying their bill, amounting to \$28.

So far as can be learned, the couple were not married and "Pond" had not been rounded up here now, had it not been for a talkative official who the girl's mother employed in the case, and who allowed the story to get some publicity before there had been a warrant issued.

The girl was at one time employed at Marysville, and until a day or two ago it was thought that she was away on a visit to friends.

AGED MAIL CLERK  
PLEADS GUILTY TO  
CHARGE OF THEFT

After Almost Half a Century  
of Service Henri Felion Stole  
Letters—Will Forfeit Super-  
annuation.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—Henri Felion, 69 years of age, who had been for almost half a century in the employ of the post office department, pleaded guilty before Judge Leaton Saturday to a charge of stealing letters. Felion was a mail clerk on the train running between Montreal and Calumet. Reports were received of mail missing on his route and he was called to the office of the railway mail service and asked to explain what had become of the letters. When he was confronted the old man broke down and confessed. He was remanded until Thursday for sentence. By his plea of guilty he is liable to a sentence of seven years in the penitentiary and forfeit his superannuation allowance.

STEAMER ST. LOUIS  
IN BAD ACCIDENT

Plymouth, Dec. 8.—The American line steamship St. Louis, which sailed from New York November 29, met with a serious accident last Wednesday during stormy weather. A piston rod broke and was hurled from the cylinder to the top of the engine room. It did considerable damage but no one was injured. Repairs are expected to occupy two months.

ENGLAND WELCOMES  
OFFER FROM CANADA

Lord Beresford Will Make Sure Canadian Contri-  
bution Will Not Reduce British Programme

MANCHESTER GUARDIAN OPPOSES  
CANADIAN ON DEFENCE COUNCIL

London, Dec. 7.—Canada's naval contribution has far overshadowed the eastern war, as the topic of the week in England. The politicians and news-papers with very few dissenting voices, welcome the Dominion's gift for its own sake, and as a memorable step towards consolidating the Empire.

Lord Charles Beresford will ask assurance in the House of Commons that the gift constitutes an addition to the English programme, not part of it.

The Westminster Gazette, whose editor Mr. J. A. Spender, is the most influential Liberal outside the minis-try, makes the following important announcement:

IMPORTANT BILLET FOR  
SIR CHAS. FITZPATRICK

He Will Represent Great Britain on Tribunal  
to Arbitrate Pecuniary Claims With the  
United States.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Great Britain and the United States have agreed upon the composition of the tribunal to arbitrate the pecuniary claims as provided in the special arrangement recently ratified by the two govern-ments.

Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of Canada, and the British member of the North Atlantic coast arbitration tribunal at the Hague, in 1910, will represent Great Britain. Chaudier, Anderson, commissioner of the department of state, will represent the United States. These two will select a third member who will act as umpire and will be a subject of neither Great Britain nor the United States.

Cecil B. Harter, of the British foreign office, will be chief counsel for Great Britain. Edmund L. Neustadt, Canadian Deputy Minister of Justice, will be associated with him. Salvoro Mallet-Prevost of New York will be chief counsel for the United States. He was one of the counsel in the Venezuela boundary arbitration. Robert Lansing, one of the counsel for the United States in the fisheries arbitration and the Alaska boundary arbitration will be associated with him.

TRANS-ATLANTIC  
STEAMERS MET

Heavy Weather  
Steamers Arriving at New  
York Bear Evidence of Hav-  
ing Encountered High Winds  
in North Atlantic.

New York, Dec. 8.—Incoming steamers today brought reports of extremely rough weather at sea, and some of them bore evidence of struggles with Atlantic gales. Thirty feet of rail was tipped off La Lorraine which got in from Havre, and a vessel from Southampton and tore the door of Captain Passio's quarters from a heavy sea and her arm smashed.

IN THE STORMY WEATHER ON Wednes-  
day a big wave broke over the St. Paul from Southampton and tore the door of Captain Passio's quarters from a heavy sea and her arm smashed.

ELECTIONS IN ROME.  
Home, Dec. 8.—The municipal elec-tions were held here today. The anti-  
socialist candidate, including Mayor Nathan were elected. The clerical  
abstained from voting.

POLITICAL SPEECHES  
AT NEW YORK DINNER

Canadians and Guests to Number of 350 Attend  
Canadian Society's Annual Banquet

"LET'S SING 'RULE BRITANNIA'  
NOW, WHEN IT COSTS SOMETHING"

Grand Vizier Says She is Pre-  
pared to Make Concessions  
for Peace.

WILL NOT PERMIT THE  
DIVISION OF ALBANIA.

Tewfik Pasha Declines to Act  
as Peace Delegate and An-  
other Must be Chosen —  
Greeks Active.

Athens, Dec. 7.—The Greek troops operating in Epirus have occupied the towns of Delvino, Argyro Castro, and Santi Quaranta, about 50 miles to the north of the Janina.

Constantinople, Dec. 7.—The follow-  
ing official message has been received  
from the wall of Adrianople, under  
date of Dec. 4:

"At 9 o'clock yesterday evening, be-  
fore the armistice was signed, the  
enemy, with the intention of approach-  
ing the forts, made a general charge  
with all their forces of infantry and  
artillery on the south, north and east,  
and also on the Marash side. Our brave  
soldiers repulsed the attack with great  
vigor and did not give way a step from  
the advance posts which they were oc-  
cupying.

"During terrible fighting, which lasted  
nearly six hours, the enemy sustained  
considerable losses and had to re-  
treat, on all sides, in a lamentable  
state. The enemy fired nearly 70 shells  
at the town, without thanks to God,  
causing any losses.

"The Turkish ambassador at London  
has declined to accept a delegate in  
the coming peace negotiations owing  
to ill health.

The port consequently is seeking  
other delegates. It will probably  
be Naby Bey, the newly appointed  
Ambassador at Rome.

"The 'Empire prints a  
Constantinople despatch embodying  
an interview with the Grand Vizier,  
Mehmed Talaat. With regard to the  
peace negotiations the Grand Vizier  
said that Turkey could not permit  
any one to enter into a treaty with  
Albania to reach the sea, and could not  
give up Adrianople. He refused, how-  
ever, to make any concessions  
ever.

Asked if the government favored  
Turkey's entry into the Balkan feder-  
ation, Kiamil said that all depended  
on the value of the federation, and  
what advantage Turkey was likely to  
derive in such a union. With respect  
to the port's attitude on foreign affairs,  
Kiamil said that the port desired and  
was required to stand well with all  
the powers, but that it must not be  
forgot that Turkey was a small  
country and that it was therefore her  
more especial interest to have good  
relations with certain maritime pow-  
ers.

The government's policy, he added,  
would be an extreme liberal one and  
would introduce numerous reforms as  
soon as the end of the war permitted.

Corfu, Dec. 7.—The Greek army  
opposite Corfu under the protection  
of the Greek flag was hoisted  
The Turkish authorities submitted  
without resistance.

The cruiser Macedonia has captured  
an Italian steamer embarking Albanian  
insurgents and stores off Avlona  
and has brought her to Corfu.

The Great Delegates.  
Athens, Dec. 8.—The Great delegates  
to the peace conference at London will  
be Premier Venizelos M. Scudilis, a  
former cabinet minister; J. Gounadis,  
minister at London and Dr. Georges  
Striat, minister at Vienna. The mis-  
sion also will include M. Politis, pro-  
fessor of international law at Paris  
University; General Danglis, chief of  
the general staff and Col. Metaxas.

Turks Break Armistice.  
Cetinje, Dec. 7.—Notwithstanding  
that an armistice has just been con-  
cluded, the Turks from Taraboch  
yesterday made a heavy attack  
against the Montenegrin front. In ac-  
cordance with orders the Montenegrins  
refused to return the Turkish  
The Montenegrin troops around  
Taraboch and Scutari have received  
the news of the armistice with great  
discontent. The army was impatiently  
awaiting a general offensive move-  
ment for the capture of Scutari.

RENEWAL OF  
THE TRIPLE  
ALLIANCE

Germany, Austria and Italy  
Are Again Bound by the  
Dreibund.

SPECIAL ACTION  
TO PROMOTE PEACE

Alliance Was Renewed Sooner  
Than Necessary Probably to  
Make Impression on Russia  
and Servia.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—The triple alliance  
between Germany, Italy and Austro-  
Hungary has been renewed on the same  
terms as formerly.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The Berlin morning  
newspapers consider the announce-  
ment of the renewal of the Dreibund,  
coming just now, as significant and  
sure to have a beneficial moral effect.

The Tagblatt points out that if no  
alterations were desired, it was not  
necessary formally to renew the alli-  
ance, since it would have automatical-  
ly renewed itself for another term, if  
not denounced before June 28. It was  
thus tacitly renewed in 1907.

London, Dec. 8.—The circumstances  
of the renewal of the Dreibund six  
months before the necessity arose to  
give notice of its expiry or renewal  
is considered to have special refer-  
ence to the Balkan problem. Con-  
temporal newspapers comment on the  
renewal is calculated to make a  
strong impression on Russia and Ser-  
bia, thus helping the preservation of  
peace.

THE SIX DAY  
GRIND IS ON

Fifteen Teams Started After  
Midnight for Big Six Day  
Bicycle Race in Madison  
Square Garden.

New York, Dec. 9.—Fifteen teams  
started at one minute after midnight  
this morning in the twentieth annual  
six day bicycle race at Madison  
Square Garden.

The riders set out at an even fair-  
ly speedy rate, and at the end of the  
first mile were bunched with Marcel  
Berthel, of the Franco-Italian team,  
and Oscar Egg, making the pace.  
The time for the mile was 2:31.

The starters were:  
American team—Frank Kramer and  
Jimmy Moran.  
Australian team—Alf Grandia and  
Ernie Frye.  
Austrian-American—Jackie Clark and  
Fred Hill.  
German-American—Walter Rutt and  
Joe Pookler.  
New York-Melbourne—Eddie Root and  
Paddy Hehir.  
Irish—Grassy Ryan and Lloyd  
Thomas.  
French—Oscar Egg and Andre Per-  
chicot.  
Swiss—Paul and Frank Suter.  
Iowa-Lough Island team—John Bell  
and Worthington Milten.  
Dixie-New York—Bob and the Dow-  
ager and George Cameron.  
Boston team—Pete Drobach and El-  
mer Collins.  
California-New Jersey—Percy Law-  
rence and Jake Magin.  
New Zealand—Jumbo Wells and  
Gordon Walker.  
Providence-Jamaica—Alvin Lottes  
and Clarence Carman.  
Franco-Italian—Marcel Berthel and  
Maurice Brocco.

LITTLE DIFFICULTY  
IN ARRANGING PEACE

Bulgarian Deputy Expects it  
Will be Easy for Turkey and  
Allies to Come to Terms.

Sofia, Dec. 8.—According to reliable  
reports Adrianople has only provisions  
enough to last 15 days. Mr. Duff, pre-  
siding over the chamber of deputies, has  
returned from the negotiations at  
Baghche. He expressed the opinion  
today that peace would be arranged  
successfully with little difficulty. The  
Turkish delegates at the armistice ne-  
gotiations proved to be extremely con-  
ciliatory, he said, and the fact that  
Turkey was willing to leave the be-  
sieged fortress to the Allies, was con-  
sidered proof of the sincerity  
of her declaration that she did not  
wish to waste time.

AUSTRIA TAKES  
A SERIOUS STEP  
AGAINST SERBIA AN EARTHQUAKE

Flour Intended for Serbian  
Army Seized by Austrians  
for Use of Their Own Troops.

London, Dec. 9.—A Belgrade despatch  
to the Telegraph says that the Austro-  
Hungarian authorities have stopped at  
Flume the steamer Hegedich, with a  
cargo of 800 tons of flour destined for  
the Serbian army at Durazzo. It is  
announced that Austria intends to con-  
fiscate the flour for the use of her own  
army, thus creating a similar situation  
as brought about by the stoppage by  
Turkey of Serbian guns.

Another Belgrade despatch says  
there is considerable anxiety over the  
health of King Peter. The king faint-  
ed several times yesterday.

SOLDIERS LEAVE TRIPOLI.  
Tripoli, Dec. 8.—The Turkish cavalry  
and artillery which were engaged  
in the war with Italy embarked here  
today. Full military honors were ac-  
corded the troops whose destination  
has not been divulged.

IN CLEVELAND  
Cleveland, O., Dec. 8.—An unusually  
heavy earthquake shock within a radi-  
us of 200 or 400 miles, was recorded  
at St. Ignace observatory here, at 5  
o'clock Saturday night.  
The maximum came at 5:30 with a  
vibration of six millimetres and lasted  
five seconds. It is thought the shock  
occurred in southern Indiana or Illi-  
nois.

PROFANED TOMBS OF  
DUCHESS OR GENOA.  
Turin, Dec. 7.—The Mausoleum of  
the house of Savoia, in the superba,  
the royal burial church, has been  
broken into and the tombs of the Dow-  
ager Duchess of Genoa profaned. The  
Queen Margherita and the grandmo-  
ther of King Victor Emmanuel. She  
died last August. It has not yet been  
ascertained whether the motive of the  
vandalism was robbery.

LEADING LEAGUE PITCHERS

New York, Dec. 8.—Hendrix of Pittsburgh, with 24 games won and 9 lost leads the National League pitchers for the season of 1912 as shown by the official pitching records made public today.

After Rich and Liefeld of Chicago next in order come another Giant pair, Mathewson and Randall. "Mat's" standing is eighth with 23 won and 12 games lost and a percentage of .657.

IT PLEASED THE MINISTEI

The minister was taking tea at the home of one of his flock, and admired the table decorations of daisies.

DIED.

STEVENS.—At Ingleisle, Kings County, on the 7th inst., Adronna (Addie) Stevens, daughter of the late William Isaac and Eleanor Stevens, leaving one brother and a half sister and half brother to mourn.

RUSSIA'S CROP OF KINGS IS SHORT

Czar's Only Brother Will Renounce Succession to the Throne and Next Candidates are Very Unpopular.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—Emperor Nicholas and the members of the Imperial family are greatly upset by the determination of the Emperor's only brother, Grand Duke Michel Alexandrovich, definitely to renounce his rights of succession to the throne.

Completely Misrepresented. J. Townsend Burden, Jr., was talking about the remarkable interview on the "common people" that he gave out recently in California.

Leo Gallagher arrived home on Saturday after a business trip to Boston, New York and Philadelphia.

F. M. Brown, Sr., came in yesterday on the Montreal express.

Old Dutch Cleanser advertisement with image of a woman's face.

PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE AT ST. JAMES' PALACE

London, Dec. 7.—The British government has placed the historic St. James Palace at the disposal of the peace plenipotentiaries.

PROVINCIAL PERSONALS.

(Moncton Times, Dec. 7.) C. P. Leonard, of St. John, is at the American. E. A. Hoyt, of St. John, is staying at the American.

OBITUARY.

Miss Addie Stevens. Often in the annals of some quiet country place there lives a brave and gentle spirit who, after an unselfish devotion of the ordinary duties of life and to making those around her happy.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Dufferin. F. D. Snyder, Moncton; Mr and Mrs O'Connor, Montreal; D. Edgar, Toronto; J. E. Lynch, Peterboro; Ernest Potts, Windhorst; Wm. McLaughlin, St. John; Wm. Walker, Toronto; J. H. Dolan, Peterboro; J. McDonald, Quebec; H. McDonald, St. John; Wm. Skinner, Boston; J. R. McLeod, Springhill; Lewis Connors, Black's Harbor; Donald, P. C. Christian, Woodville; C. C. Ward, Sackville, NS; W. R. Finson, Bangor.

IN THE COURTS.

The Ryder Case. The case of Ryder vs. The Saint John Railway Company was continued in the Circuit Court Saturday morning.

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales, westerly and northerly, fair and much colder; snow flurries.

Was Troubled With His Heart.

When the heart begins to beat irregularly, palpitates and throbs, skips beats, and sometimes seems to almost stop, it causes great anxiety and alarm.

AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE

Heron Island Party Had a Memorable Adventure Following Trip to New Mills to Church.

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 1st, Mr. Maxwell, of Heron Island, along with some ladies, went to New Mills, to church, and on the way home met with an experience which might have had a sad ending.

The boat, which is a fairly large one and is driven with a motor, went well until half way home; owing to the severity of the weather the pumping apparatus got frozen up, and in the meantime the engine got heated till it would explode the gasoline within the battery.

LATE SHIPPING.

Arrivals. Liverpool, Dec. 7.—Empress of Ireland, St. John, NB. Pastnet—Passed—Coriscan, St. John, NB.

IF ST. JOHN HAD A DRY DOCK NOW

Quebec Hears Royal George Will Go to Halifax Dock but Norwegian Steamer is Already There.

Quebec, Dec. 8.—It is reported here this evening that the steamer Royal George will only go as far as Halifax for repairs and that she will be accompanied to that port by the ice-breaker Montcalm.

NEW WOMEN'S CLUB OPENED IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 8.—The formal opening and housewarming of the British Imperial Club No. 108 East 30th street took place yesterday afternoon.

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Classified advertisement with text: One cent per word each on advertisements running...

WANTED advertisement: WANTED—By the Interior Railway, Machinists and fitters...

WANTED advertisement: WANTED—A second class teacher for School Dist. No. 11...

WANTED advertisement: WANTED—Storage Space, 2,600 feet of dry, clean space without heating facilities...

WANTED advertisement: WANTED—A lad about 15 years to learn the grocery business...

WANTED advertisement: WANTED—Position as stenographer. Reference given. E. M. I. mouth, Car. Co., N. B.

BOY AND GIRL AGENTS advertisement: packages of Art Post Cards for 10c each and receive a fine...

FARMS WANTED advertisement: It will be to the interest of sons having farms or country...

SITUATIONS VACANT advertisement: SALESMAN—\$50 per week one hand Egg Beater, Steam...

FOR SALE advertisement: FOR SALE—Two large oak Oak Roll Desk; one Leather Table; typewriter, C. W. T. Douglas Agency.

FOR SALE advertisement: FOR SALE—Inside finish, saunas, etc. Apply at Standard.

FOR SALE advertisement: New Home and other Sewing machines. Genuine Needles of a Edison Improved Phonograph...

FOR SALE advertisement: JUST ARRIVED—Two car choice HORSES, weighing from 1,200 lbs. For sale at HOGAN'S Stables, Waterloo St. 1657.

FOR SALE advertisement: A farm formerly occupied by the late David Hill of 67 acres, opposite Treadwells...

FOR SALE advertisement: Also a desirable farm 1/2 owned by the late Roger Quintain 160 acres Parish of W Kings County, having a public...

FOR SALE advertisement: DANIEL MULLIN, Puzley Building, City.

FOR SALE advertisement: FOR SALE—Farms and Live stock, two houses and five three miles from Public 1 Kings Co. Also five to fifty acres close to river at Public 1 and Linsley, on C. P. R. 80 acres houses and barn, also 2 1/2 from Oak Point, 250 acres of barn and 250 acres woodland other farms at bargain. J. I. & Son, Nelson street, Phone 1657.

TO LET advertisement: TO LET—Large furnished room, electric light. Best location. Coburg street.

ENGRAVERS advertisement: F. Q. WELLS, 100 Art Street, St. John, N. B. Telephone 1657.

Musical Instruments advertisement: VIOLINS, MANDOLINS, stringed instruments and repaired. SYDNEY GIBBS, 81 Street.

ENGINEERING advertisement: ELECTRIC MOTOR and Generator, including rewinding, to keep your plant running making repairs. E. S. Stephenson, Nelson street, St. John.

UNION FOUNDRY advertisement: GEO. H. WARRING, Machinist, Iron and Brass Castings. WEST ST. JOHN. Phone 1657.

ENGAGEMENT RINGS advertisement: Just received, an assortment of suitable for all occasions.

ERNEST LAW advertisement: ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES.

J. Fred. Williams advertisement: MACHINIST AND ENGINEER. Steamboat, Mill and General Work. INDIANTOWN, ST. JOHN, Phone: M. 229, Residence M.

Schlitz Beer advertisement featuring a man drinking beer and a bottle of Schlitz. Text: 'You Beer Drinkers Read THIS!' 'Beer acted upon by light soon takes up the very disagreeable so-called "light taste," and also a repulsive skunk-like odor...'



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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1912

## MARITIME PROVINCE RIGHTS.

The Montreal Gazette does not approve of the meeting of Provincial Premiers at Amherst, the other day, for the purpose of calling the attention of the Dominion Government to several things wherein the Dominion Government has failed to do justice to the Provinces down by the sea. It is the view of the Gazette that instead of trying to obtain increased revenue from the Dominion the Premiers would be better occupied in trying to reduce expenses by a union of the three governments. The Gazette is hasty and has not given much consideration to what is really a very important problem, and one not so easily of solution as seems at first sight. Maritime Union has much in its favor, but at the present time is not a practical issue and is not thought about in this section, however much it may concern those who have no technical knowledge of the issues involved. Furthermore the Gazette is very much mistaken if it opines that the Maritime Provinces have no complaints to make of their treatment by the Dominion. They have many and they are not groundless.

At the very beginning of Confederation a serious error was made by both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia in handing over to the New Dominion the completed sections of the Intercolonial Railway. Though not mentioned in the British North America Act the construction of the Intercolonial Railway was as much a part of the bargain as the Confederation itself. Had it not been part of the bargain there would have been no Confederation and the men who took part in making the agreement would not be held responsible for it. In that case why should not the completed sections of the railway have been paid for by the New Dominion? It was a very short-sighted policy on the part of the men who stood for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia that this railway was given away and only the uncompleted sections built.

There was a reason it is true. The debts of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec were proportionately much greater than those of the Maritime Provinces. These Canadian debts had been created by the construction of canals, in subsidies to railways, and in other ways. So that when Confederation was planned large cash grants had to be made to the Lower Provinces, particularly New Brunswick, to even things up. The total debt of New Brunswick at the time of Confederation was something over \$6,000,000, and of this nearly five millions was for the railroad between St. John and Shediac. If to this is added the contribution to the old St. Andrews and Quebec Railway, New Brunswick had spent over \$5,000,000 in railways, before Confederation. The debt allowance to New Brunswick on entering Confederation was \$7,000,000. Had full justice been done the Province, the cash contribution would have been over five millions instead of only something over a million.

But this is not the only case where the Lower Provinces have a just complaint against the Dominion. Take the fisheries. Ever since Confederation there has been a constant work on right under the nose of the Gazette, a precedent which had the hearty endorsement of that newspaper when the deal was put through—the purchase of the North Shore Railway from the Government of Quebec. This road extended from Quebec to Ottawa and was made part of the Canadian Pacific system at the expense of the Dominion treasury.

## THE REGULATION OF RADIO-TELEGRAPHY.

A Government bill dealing with the regulation of radio-telegraphy was introduced by Mr. Hazen on Friday last in the House of Commons and given its first reading. It is in amendment of existing legislation and embodies important changes including some features of general interest. The bill is designed to amend the Telegraphs Act of 1906, which in consequence of the great development of wireless communication is, in this respect, practically out of date. It is the outcome to some extent, as Mr. Hazen explained, of the Radio-telegraphic Convention held in London last year, at which representatives of Canada and of all nations and countries which adhere to the convention were present.

The proposed Radio-telegraph Act, in addition to providing for the issue of licenses, as required by the present act, has a number of new and important provisions. It requires the compulsory installation of wireless equipment on passenger ships carrying fifty persons and plying between ports more than 200 miles apart. The forwarding of radio-telegrams by all Canadian land lines, and cables. The employment of only British subjects as operators on land stations. The taking of a declaration of secrecy by all officers, and a penalty for the transmission of a false distress call or wild interference.

The increased use of wireless telegraphy has made international control a necessity, and the act, therefore, gives power to the Governor-in-Council to accede to any international wireless convention and to make regulations upon which the convention may decide. At the present time this regulation is undertaken by the International Radio-telegraphic Conference to which practically all nations have subscribed. These conventions are held every five years and the act gives the Dominion Government authority to have a voice in the drafting of regulations. The importance of this provision is evident from the fact that the Canadian Government owns thirty-seven coast stations, a greater number than any other country. A further benefit which will ensue is that Canadian ships will be provided with wireless stations by other countries in all parts of the world.

The Minister of Marine is given authority to classify and prescribe the licenses issued; to examine persons for operators' certificates; to make regulations for inspectors, for the working of ships within territorial waters and for all stations in the Dominion. An important provision gives power to His Majesty to assume at any time possession of a station, to work the same for the public service or to ensure all messages transmitted.

The bill will be fully discussed in committee and Mr. Hazen intimated that it might be found advisable for some of the provisions to be changed. The regulation requiring a wireless installation on all vessels carrying fifty passengers, and plying between ports more than 200

miles apart, for instance, may be altered to meet special cases.

Referring to the legislation already passed by the United States, Mr. Hazen pointed out that it was more drastic than that proposed in the draft of the Government's bill. The United States Act compels all ships, whether licensed to carry passengers or not, carrying 50 or more persons and plying between ports 200 miles apart to carry a wireless telegraph equipment and a staff of not less than two operators with a penalty of \$5,000 against the ship and \$100 against the master of the ship for each violation of the act. So far as the Marine Department can ascertain, all boats of Canadian register which would come under the apparatus, maintain it in first class condition, provide an operator, and handle the messages concerning the business of the ship free of charge. If the ship desires to install apparatus herself, the cost of a first class equipment with a range of from 150 to 200 miles complete with an emergency equipment would be between \$3,000 and \$3,500. A second class equipment with the same range could be obtained cheaper, at a cost of about \$2,000.

The cost of a wireless installation on ships is a matter of some interest. Mr. Hazen explained that the general procedure adopted was for the shipping company to arrange with one of the wireless companies to install the apparatus and operate it. In practically every case this sum is \$1,000 per annum for which the wireless company agrees to install the apparatus, maintain it in first class condition, provide an operator, and handle the messages concerning the business of the ship free of charge. If the ship desires to install apparatus herself, the cost of a first class equipment with a range of from 150 to 200 miles complete with an emergency equipment would be between \$3,000 and \$3,500. A second class equipment with the same range could be obtained cheaper, at a cost of about \$2,000.

Referring to the important changes in legislation which are contained in the bill, Mr. Hazen said ample time would be given for full discussion and consideration. After receiving its first or second reading the bill could be allowed to wait until after the New Year recess. By that time the fact that the bill had been introduced to Parliament would be well known in shipping circles and to the press. "We will then have an expression of opinion," he added, "that will enable us to modify the bill if necessary. These are all matters of detail which we desire to settle as far as possible in the public interest, but at the same time I think there will be no dispute concerning the fact that regulations of this character or of a somewhat similar character should be enacted."

An interesting experiment in temperance legislation will now be tried out in Tacoma, Washington, which has passed an anti-treating law. Up to the present the law has not been in operation, having been tied up in the Supreme Court of the State, which has now decided that the city acted within its authority. The court holds that a saloon which is under the control of the police power, "Whatever the right of the citizen may be elsewhere, he has no inherent right even to buy liquor in such a place."

They are doing queer things in New York these days. A policeman who braved a gang of thugs to kill an undesirable citizen has been convicted along with his murdering crew. A man who stole \$100,000 has been convicted and the Tennessee Society of Gotham has held a speechless dinner. Instead of the speeches a stereotyped was pressed into service, and when the speechmaking hour arrived the announcement that there won't be any speeches was flashed on the screen, while women fainted, strong men held their tongues, and silence reigned supreme. Then the dinner was adjourned and the speaker, taking the society at the expense of this member and that by flashing merry quips and badinage on the screen.

Is it not a travesty on the present day civilization that District Attorney Whitman, who recently prosecuted Becker and his gunmen, should be styled the "bravest man in New York," by such a serious minded gentleman as Dr. Lyman Abbott, at an Aldine Club dinner? Is the great American metropolis so completely at the mercy of thugs and the police force and officials generally, so corrupt and inefficient that it would be possible to assassinate a man who has simply done his duty? If such be the case it is time for decent people to take a hand in things and do a little judicious shooting on their own account, taking the authority out of the hands of gangs and corrupt officials.

Liberals profess to see victory in the next general election because of Mr. Borden's naval policy. They thought that reciprocity would close the eyes of the Canadian people to graft and corruption that had marked the last years of the Laurier Administration. Reciprocity failed and no amount of jingo talk in Parliament would induce the people of Canada that the Liberal party under its present leadership is or ever has been true to Imperial interests. Sir Wilfrid is severely handicapped in his fight against Mr. Borden's naval policy by the statement publicly made by him that he was not an Imperialist.

The anti-monopoly or unfair discrimination act passed by South Dakota Legislature has been pronounced constitutional by the United States Supreme Court. The act makes it a crime to sell, with intent to ruin competition, a commodity in general use to a dealer in one place at a lower rate than to another dealer at a different place within the State. Similar laws have been enacted in several Northwestern States, and are regarded as among the most rigid anti-monopoly statutes ever enacted.

Under a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court the Immigration authorities of that country can deport women who become undesirable inhabitants within three years after their arrival in the United States. In this case the arm of the law is not only strong but long.

A negro woman died in Patterson, N. J., at the age of 119. This was not so remarkable as the fact that she was the mother of twenty-two children, all of whom but one are still living. The woman's husband died a few years ago at 109.

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To the Editor of The Standard.  
SIR:—Although I am averse to the contenting of a newspaper controversy especially with an editor who has certain advantages, yet there is that in your editorial of Saturday last which demands a word in reply.

On your part there is an expressed desire that the public should have all the facts relative to the representations made to the government to pass a prohibitory measure, and these are easily given. When about a year ago a large delegation waited upon the local administration to pass a prohibitory law, but so that there may be no further mistake I again declare that you are in error, and that there are conditions under our license law which are truly deplorable. What these conditions are, I have already suggested.

Regarding your reference to complaints of officers of the law being founded upon mere street rumor, I am forced to say that you are not misrepresenting the facts. Suppose, that formal complaint is made against an officer for failure to perform his duty, and the officer is found to be guilty of such a failure, and the government discharges him from his office. Suppose, that after further delay and against strong protest nothing is done by the government to relieve the situation. In that case, sir, would you not believe that there was ground for agitation and criticism?

These steps have been taken, and when necessary, documentary evidence may be adduced in proof, and because of the similar conditions which prevail, there is no "misrepresentation" whatever, as you suggest, in the agitation now being waged, and which I believe will not soon end.

Yours sincerely,  
H. E. THOMAS,  
St. John, West,  
Dec. 2, 1912.

Mr. Thomas has not in this or his previous communications, explained why in his Moncton address or his previous letters and in this has sought to misrepresent the attitude of the present provincial government on the temperance question. In 1896 the old government, which was in power at that time, introduced a license act, and it contained a clause providing authority for taking a vote on the question of license or no license in districts where the law was in operation. One of the provisions was that there should be a two-thirds majority before any change could take place. No special machinery was provided for holding such election and none were provided for the change of law. Several attempts on the part of temperance workers were made to have the provision of the act changed so that a majority vote would control. These requests were always refused, and no change was made in the law.

The change of government the temperance men sent a delegation to the government asking for a prohibitory law similar to that in operation in Prince Edward Island and suggesting also numerous changes in the Liquor License Act in the event of prohibition being refused. The question was given into very carefully by the government and the result was the introduction of many of the suggestions made by the temperance people, the most notable of which was the change in the machinery necessary to holding elections was provided and when they were held the province paid the cost. The two-thirds clause was stricken out and a majority vote substituted. Having recognized majority rule in the case of the license question in the hands of the people to decide whether they would have license or no license. This attitude and the important change made in the law satisfied a large majority of temperance people who recognized the force of the argument. They were not satisfied. They desired to impose prohibition on the people whether they wanted it or not. They were not satisfied to allow the freedom of speech, freedom of action or justice to those whose viewpoint was different from theirs. Mr. Thomas was one of those who were not satisfied. It has been shown that the previous administration turned down every request made by the temperance people while the present government has made many changes in the law suggested by temperance workers as well as sent. Still men like Mr. Thomas, who claim to labor in the interests of temperance reform, go about the country misrepresenting the attitude of the government on this important issue. Mr. Thomas may claim that he has not done this but here is an extract from the Moncton Transcript, a paper friendly to Mr. Fleming, which shows the impression that was left on the editor's mind by Mr. Thomas' utterances in that town a short time ago. Here is what the Transcript says:

"Rev. Mr. Thomas pointed out that when the Fleming administration changed the law, so as to permit in a city where a ward refuses to endorse the license system, the same number of licenses to be issued in the city generally, as if the wards were still under license, that was a step backwards. In other words, St. John has so many licenses and some of the wards adopted local option, but instead of the number of licenses being reduced proportionally for the entire city, the law was changed by the present government to permit the same number to be issued only outside of the particular ward affected. In other words, what the Fleming government did with the one hand, it undo with the other. It is not what Mr. Fleming has placed upon the statute books that should count so much as how his government has administered that which is placed or found upon the statute books."

Mr. Thomas said anything that would convey the impression that there are as many liquor licenses issued in the city of St. John today as there were before Duke, Victoria and Lansdowne wards voted against license, he made a statement which was untrue. No licenses have been issued for these wards since the date on which the law came into operation and there has not been a license added beyond the legal number in any other ward where the act is in operation.

The Transcript seeks to give Mr. Thomas a certificate of character for non-partisanship in his attack on Mr. Fleming, but the evidence produced is not conclusive and the contemptible Kings County plot during the last election in which close associates of Mr. Thomas played the leading roles, if he was not himself in the cast, renders his attitude on the party question doubtful and leads to the belief that his principal aim at the present time is more to make things awkward for the government than to promote the cause of temperance.

In dealing with the charges against officials he would imply that the Standard is not acquainted with the facts. Well, Mr. Thomas has not added much enlightenment. He deals in suppositions, some of which are not based on fact. The complaint was made to a member of the government—the one having control of the department dealing with licenses, and was before the government. The complaints were not such as to merit serious consideration and there was no suggestion that evidence would be forthcoming to sustain. So far as the statement of Mr. Thomas is concerned that "the government admits that the complaints are well founded and the officer is unfaithful in the discharge of his duty" is concerned it may be taken for granted that no

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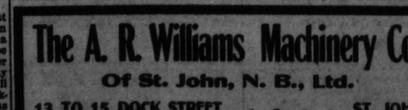
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BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS. London, Dec. 7.—Following are the results of football matches today: First Division. Aston Villa 1; Bolton Wanderers 1 Blackburn Rovers 6; Bradford City 0. Derby County 4; Woolwich Arsenal 1 Everton 1; West Brom Albion 3. Manchester United 0; Sheffield U. 1. Middlesbrough 2; Nottm Athletic 2. Notts County 0; Newcastle United 1. Sheffield Wednesday 0; Manchester United 7. Sunderland 7; Liverpool 0. Tottenham Hotspur 1; Chelsea 0. Second Division. Barnsley 2; Glossop 1. Blackpool 1; Stockport 1. County 1. Bradford 2; Hull City 0. Burnley 0; Lincoln City 3. Fulham 1; Clapton Orient 0. Grimsby Town 0; Notts Forest 0. Huddersfield Town 0; Birmingham 0. Leicester Fosse 0; Preston North End 3. Wolverhampton Wanderers 0; Burnley 2. Leeds City 1; Bristol City 1.

Southern League. Queen's Park Rangers 2; Watford 0. Brentford 2; Coventry City 0. Gillingham 1; Crystal Palace 2. Northampton 3; Merby Town 0. Reading 1; Southampton 1. Stoke 2; Portsmouth 0. Bristol Rovers 2; West Ham United 1. Swindon Town 2; Exeter City 2. Mill Wall Athletics 2; Bright H. 0. Norwich City 0; Plymouth Argyle 3. Amateur Trial. South 4; North 0. Rugby Results. South Africans 21; N. of England 8. England 31; S. of England 5. London Welsh 10; Blackheath 6. Leicester 18; Northampton 5. Harlequins 16; Rosslyn 0. Richmond 6; Guys Hospital 5. London Hospital 11; London Scottish 2. Scottish League. Aberdeen 0; Morton 0. Airdrieonians 0; Kilmarock 1. Celtic 2; Hamilton Academical 1. Hibernians 3; Clyde 1. St. Mirren 1; Dundee 0. Third Lanark 1; Falkirk 1. Part Thistle 1; Hearts of Midlothian 3. Motherwells 6; Queen's Park 2. Raith Rovers 2; Glasgow Rangers 2.

NEW PLAN FOR GAME NEXT YEAR. Geneva, N. Y., Dec. 8.—Managed Urban, of the Hobart College football team, wrote a letter to the management of the Toronto University football team, suggesting that the two teams meet at Buffalo for their annual game next year. The plan of football such as Toronto played with the Indians. In this game one half is to be played under the rules of American college football and the other half according to the rules of the Canadian Amateur Lacrosse Association. The probability is that Hobart will play at Toronto on Oct. 25, Hobart and Urban will meet at Buffalo for their annual game next year. If the arrangements now under way materialize, Manager Urban of the Hobart team, wrote today to the Union manager in an effort to have this game played on Lacrosse Field, Buffalo. It is thought that Union will prefer playing on a neutral ground. The game probably will be arranged for election day.

TIGERS ON THE MARKET. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—When President Navin and Manager Jennings left for Lubec, Eastport and St. John, and Fri. 9 a. m. for St. John via Eastport omitting Portland. Direct service between Portland and New York leave Franklin Wharf, Portland, Tues. and Sat. 6.00 a. m. fares \$2.00 each way. City Ticket Office, 47 King St. L. R. THOMPSON, WM. G. LEE, T. F. & P. A., Agent.

Cold Settled On Lungs. LEFT THEM IN VERY WEAK STATE. A cold, however slight, should never be neglected, for if it is not treated in time it will, in all probability, lead to bronchitis, pneumonia, asthma, or some other serious throat or lung trouble. Obsolete coughs and colds yield to the grateful, soothing action of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, containing all the long lasting virtues of the Norway Pine tree. Mr. G. G. Rhynard, Mill Village, N.S., writes: "I have had occasion to use Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and can say that it is certainly a good medicine. About a year ago I contracted a severe cold, which settled on my lungs, and left them in a very weak state. The cough racked me terribly, and I was in despair, until a friend advised Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. I took five bottles in all, and it cured me of my cough, and left my lungs strong and well." Price, 25 and 50 cents. Be sure you get "Dr. Wood's" when you ask for it. See the three pine trees, the trade mark. Manufactured only by The T. Millburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

ATHLETES FIGHT SHY OF NUMBER 13. A great many athletic clubs in holding contests omit the number 13 from their list, as the great majority of athletes will not wear it. There are some, however, who have no fear of it as a hoodoo number. Alexander Grant, some ten years ago Harvard's best distance runner, used to request when he sent an entry for a race that he be given No. 13 to wear. His request was always complied with. Grant once won a national championship on Friday the 13th with a competitor No. 13 on his back. Field contestants are much more superstitious than trackmen. Jumpers place their hands on the ground, shoes, etc., all over the field and move a little faster or slower as the case may be, as they came across their own marks, but as a rule, there are so many articles on the field that the contestant can hardly tell which is his. Some high jumpers will not make an effort to jump unless there is a handkerchief over the crosspiece; others will not jump if the handkerchief is on the bar. Some athletes will not have their training tops washed while they are training. Melvin Sheppard is superstitious about only one thing—the washing of his clothes. He will not have any articles washed while he is in training, but as a rule, there are so many articles on the field that the contestant can hardly tell which is his. Some high jumpers will not make an effort to jump unless there is a handkerchief over the crosspiece; others will not jump if the handkerchief is on the bar. Some athletes will not have their training tops washed while they are training.

KING AND QUEEN OF THE TURF. Baden is the king of the trotters of the year, and Evelyn W. is the queen of the pacers. Evelyn W. has won her rights, and now that it is over few will say that there is a greater one than either of these in their respective classes. Baden started in by winning the stake at Grand Rapids. That day it looked as though he would win, but at the finish of his engagements, but the very next week he was beaten, and then it went through the summer and fall. The horse is game and fast, but he had to race without help, whereas the others were hunched against him. One and ten another would take him, they set traps, pocketed and otherwise made it hard for him to win, but when he added the October prize to his bag at Lexington, he had won \$35,000 this year—a wonderful showing considering the fight against him. Joe Patchen II., the biggest money winner among the pacers, completely outdistanced his rivals in most of his starts. From the very first it was evident that nothing in the stage bunch was to beat him unless on a day when the horse was ailing, and it turned out that way.

NEW BODY TO COVER DOMINION. Montreal, Dec. 8.—The movement for the organization of a lacrosse association for the whole country, which has engaged the attention of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada for the past year, reached a culmination when the Canadian Amateur Lacrosse Association came into being at a meeting held in the union offices on College street. Having accomplished this much, the meeting proceeded to the adoption of the playing rules and to bringing about the unification of lacrosse authority in Ontario. As some players and clubs in Ontario are under discipline of the Amateur Athletic Union, the Ontario registration committee will expedite the restoration of these to good standing, where they have not come under the ban as players on a professional team, of which there are probably not more than two cases. This will facilitate the constitution of steps necessary to form a single lacrosse body, having authority, and including all the elements that have been at differences, in Ontario.

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LIVE NOTES ABOUT BIG LEAGUERS. GRAYS WANT O'LEARY. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 8.—The Detroit baseball club has made tentative arrangements with Indianapolis whereby Shortstop Charley O'Leary will return to the Navein manager and be sent to Providence. Manager Bill Donovan wants a winning team next year, instead of a lot of recruits who have been shovelled back out of the major leagues, and he is very much in love with O'Leary's shorthold work. Detroit has enough surplus material to make two or three teams, and it is understood that Indianapolis will be permitted to make a couple of selections in exchange for O'Leary. President Navin realizes that it will not do to have another tall-order in Providence.

STOVALL TO MANAGE. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 8.—Robert Hedges, president of the St. Louis American League club, announced here that George Stovall would continue to act as manager of that club. Hedges in this disposing of the rumor he had attempted to secure Roger Bresnahan, departed manager of the St. Louis Nationals, declared he was thoroughly satisfied with Stovall's work. Hedges said he had tried hard to obtain Bresnahan's services as a catcher, but not in a manager's capacity. STALLINGS HAS GOOD TEAM. Johnny Kling's legacy to George Stovall in Boston is not to be despised. The Big Chief will find himself in the possession of several regular baseball players. There is no more promising left-hander in either league than George Tyler, Otto Hoes, the comeback pitcher of the National League and Marville, at short, is a remarkable fielder and a light batter. The weakness of the Boston team has not been so much in the pitching staff as in the team play and the general lack of speed.

HEAVIES WORK HARD FOR FIGHT. Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—Jim Flynn and Luther McCarty are putting in some hard work preparing for their twenty-round fight December 10. This will be the first of a series of elimination contests pulled off here, the winner to be proclaimed heavyweight champion of the world. Al Falzer is on his feet to fight the winner of the Flynn-McCarty bout, and any white aspirant for heavyweight honors will be given a chance of the twenty-round bout against Falzer. Joe Rivers, who defeated Joe Mandot of New Orleans on Thanksgiving day, has changed his mind about giving Mandot a return date on Washington trip to clean up some easy money before going after anyone. The sole exception is a possible chance at the championship against Ritchie, but this is so dim that he doesn't expect to fight any hard fights for several months.

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ENGLISH RUNNER QUILTS PATH. Alfred E. Wood, the famous English runner, who last year ran 15 miles in the wonderful time of 1 hour 18 minutes and 18 seconds, has abandoned the career of being a professional athlete and has hung up his shoes for good. Wood, who is at present in Toronto, has found the running game far from lucrative. In his last aving around the Dominion of Canada, in which he ran ten hard races, the great British athlete cleared but \$20 outside of his expenses or about 25 cents per mile, assuming that Wood ran most of his races at his favorite ten mile distance.

A UNION FORMED BY FIGHTERS. Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—Preliminary fighters, who what spectators' appetites by their four-round performances preceding big matches, have organized a union. They demand \$35 each per fight and claim sixty-seven members thus far. Most champions start as preliminary performers and promoters heretofore have handled these lads on a sort of apprenticeship basis, putting up small purses and expecting the beginners to be satisfied with the splendid experience they get.

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AROUND THE CITY BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK TO HAVE MEETING TODAY

Water Main Burst. A water main burst on British street near the Lewis machine shops and flooded the street yesterday.

Neck Fur Found. A lady's neck fur found on King street yesterday by Sgt. Baxter awaits the owner at the central police station.

Man's Glove Found. A man's glove found on King street can be had by the owner making application at the central police station.

Forty Hours Devotion. Forty hours devotion in St. Peter's church was brought to a close last evening with the litany and benediction of the blessed sacrament.

Badly Cut By Fall. Saturday afternoon Mrs. Blair fell on Charles street, and was badly cut about the face, she was assisted home and was not dangerously injured.

Leather Money Bag Found. A leather money bag found on Canterbury street and a door key found on the North Side of King Square are awaiting the owners at the central police station.

Watch Case Found. A wristband watch case was found yesterday afternoon on Douglas Avenue, and brought to North End police station. The owner can have same on application.

Cook Threw Him Out. On Saturday afternoon Sgt. Finley was called to the John S. Metcalf Co. boarding house, at Sand Point, to prevent a breach of the peace while the cook was ejecting two men who were creating a disturbance there.

Grand Sailors' Concert. The "Emerald Polles" from the Allan liner Lake Erie, will make their first appearance in St. John at the Seaman's Institute on Tuesday, December 10th, at eight o'clock. New and attractive programme. Admission 15 cents.

St. John Conservative Club. The St. John Conservative Club will have an open meeting next Friday evening in their hall in the Market building, at which there will be a programme of speeches and songs by the members of the organization. The club's quarters are open every evening for the entertainment of members.

A Dainty Calendar. Messrs. Ferguson and Page have issued one of the daintiest calendars ever of late years. It is an Osborne air calendar bearing a water color, and is enclosed in a green cover fastened with green satin ribbon. It is a specially ornamental piece of work and will no doubt be highly appreciated by all who are so fortunate as to receive copies.

Successful Meetings. A very successful temperance meeting was held in the Seaman's Mission on Saturday evening. A large number of sailors were present and greatly enjoyed the fine address by the Rev. W. Camp. A short musical programme was provided, and a most enjoyable evening spent. On Sunday evening the Rev. L. A. McLean conducted the service.

Treasure Seeker May Come. A Wisconsin man is anxious to have a try for Captain Kidd's treasure on Oak Island. J. W. Welling of St. John, who with A. L. Blair holds the lease of the island from the Nova Scotia government has received a letter from Prof. A. Williams of Wisconsin, saying that he has made a long study of excavation work and is prepared to probe into the money pit on the pirate's island, and bringing up any treasure that may be there. He said he would come on to St. John in a week or so to discuss terms in regard to the sharing of the treasure. Mr. Welling referred the professor to A. L. Blair, who is at present travelling in the west.

Horse and Carriage Found. Between 5 and 6 o'clock yesterday morning Policeman McNamee who is call man at the central station was summoned to King Square to take charge of a stray horse and open carriage found wandering about the street. The horse was blanketed and the reins were broken and tied together, and the bit was out of the horse's mouth. The horse and rig were placed in the Edmund's stable for safety and up till last night the police had not been made aware of the owner calling for the animal. The officers have no idea where the horse and rig came from or who the owner is. The animal is a smart little bay and as the policeman says, is quite a stepper.

FUNERALS. Edward Trainor. The funeral of the late Edward Trainor was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 8 Marsh road, and was largely attended. At the outdoor burial services was read by Rev. Dr. Methan and interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

Frederick Biddiscombe. The funeral of the late Frederick Biddiscombe was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Acadia street. The members of the I. O. O. F. No. 50 attended. Services were conducted by Rev. F. H. Wentworth, and interment was in Fernhill.

VALUABLE HORSES SENT TO EUROPE. New York, N. Y., Dec. 8.—One hundred and sixty thousand dollars worth of horseflesh sailed for Europe yesterday on the liner Minnewaska. The fortune was represented by seven horses, six of which James B. Keene has just sold to William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and the seventh, the famous Peter Pan, which Mr. Keene recently denied having sold for \$100,000 to George Gould.

The six horses purchased by Mr. Vanderbilt are: Blankets, Hesperian, Early and Orion, Courtiers, Ort Wells and Ocean Round.

Directors Agreement for Sale of Bank to Bank of Nova Scotia to be Taken Up—Confident Deal will go Through Despite Some Opposition.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of New Brunswick will be held here today in the head office of the institution to consider the matter of ratifying the agreement made by the directors for the sale of the whole of its assets to the Bank of Nova Scotia, in consideration of the stockholders receiving share for share of stock in the Bank of Nova Scotia and an additional sum of \$100,000 to be distributed pro rata among the shareholders. It is said that some of the local shareholders are likely to object to the transfer of the bank's assets to the Bank of Nova Scotia, but the directors feel confident that the deal will go through when the situation has been discussed, and the difficulties of small institutions continuing indefinitely to meet the competition of the larger have been taken into consideration. There has been considerable opposition to the proposed amalgamation among the business men of the city who feel that the passing of the local institution may not be in the business interests of the city. At the time the announcement was made that the directors of the two banks had arrived at an agreement to amalgamate the institutions, the Bank of Nova Scotia stocks were quoted on the Montreal exchange at 25 and the Bank of New Brunswick shares at 25. Since then there have been quite a number of transfers of the stock from the local bank at an advance of several points and it is said the recent purchases were made by parties favorable to the merger. The shareholders of the Bank of Nova Scotia will meet at Halifax today to deal with the question of ratifying the agreement made by their directors.

SPLENDID CHANCE FOR US TO TRADE WITH GERMANY

E. R. d'Osten, of Berlin, Passed Through St. John Yesterday, on Way to Ottawa, to Interview Hon. Geo. E. Foster.

That there are splendid opportunities for the greater trade between Canada and Germany is the opinion of E. R. d'Osten, of Berlin, Germany, who is in company with G. Brodow, are in the city en route to Ottawa where they will meet Hon. Geo. E. Foster, in connection with trade matters. Discussing the matter with a Standard reporter last evening, Mr. d'Osten said: "Canadians do not seem to fully appreciate the exceptional opportunities which the markets of Germany offer for Canadian products. There would seem to be a move for the development of trade. There are several Canadian products, Mr. d'Osten pointed out which would find a ready market in Germany. Among these the principal demands would be for dried fish and beef, which could very easily be supplied by this country. Another of the commodities which Canada could very easily supply in good quantity, and for which there is a big demand, is hides, and in fact all kinds of leather goods.

Canada with its exceptional facilities for fruit growing possesses an advantage which has hitherto not been fully taken advantage of as regards the German markets. There is an incessant demand for dried fruits, and the Dominion could become a big factor in supplying that market. In addition to these products there is pulp, of which Canada is a large exporter, and in which an excellent trade could be worked up. That these trade opportunities have in the past been neglected is the belief of Mr. d'Osten, and it is for the purpose of bringing before the proper authorities here that his visit is being made. He is confident that if the desired interest can be aroused, and arrangements for better relations entered into, Canada will find Germany an excellent market. As regards the war situation in Germany, Mr. d'Osten said that things are quiet, and the general crisis is evidently passed. The trouble with Serbia he does not regard as altogether settled, but if the necessary arises, Germany will be found ready to side with Austria.

RUN FERRY TO EAST ST. JOHN TO REDUCE LABOR TAX

Business Men Organizing Motor Boat Ferry Service to Run Across Courtenay Bay Next Summer.

It is reported on the street that a number of business men of the city are making arrangements to organize a company to operate a ferry service on Courtenay Bay. It is said the intention is to start a motor boat service between the east end of Princess street and a point on the east side near the site of the dry dock, with a view to the bay is dredged out sufficiently to allow boats to cross at any time of the day. It is claimed that a ferry across the bay will enable people to get to East St. John quicker than they could by railway, and that this will be the logical solution of the problem of transportation to East St. John. It is understood that the promoters of the idea are mainly interested in conserving for city merchants, the trade of the people who will take up their residence on the East Side in the natural course of events, and that they will be willing to enter into an agreement to turn over the service to the city at any time the city authorities desire.

At Today's Council Meeting Mayor Frink will Move to Have it Cut from \$7.50 to \$5.00. At the meeting of the city council today the Mayor will introduce a recommendation to reduce the labor tax from \$7.50 to \$5.00 on the ground that \$5.00 is about the ordinary laborer resident in the city is required to pay towards the upkeep of the city services. As the matter has been discussed in committee it is presumed that the commissioners have agreed to pass the recommendation, though at the last public meeting two of the commissioners spoke strongly against making any change, saying that the tax had been amended since the days of the old water commission. No changes will be made in the water rates, but there will be some changes in the classification of the different services, and the rate for manufacturing establishments which has been allowed to other classes of business houses will be restricted to bona fide manufacturing establishments. The Mayor will recommend that the Board of Assessors be reduced from 5 to 4 members. This will mean that there will be no appointment to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of H. Vanwart some time ago.

LEINSTER STREET CHURCH REOPENED

Fresh from Hands of Decorators, Church new Presents Fine Appearance—Special Services Marked Reopening. With special exercises Leinster street Baptist church was re-opened yesterday, morning and services resumed. For several weeks the building has been undergoing repairs on the exterior, while the interior has been in the hands of painters and decorators. The result met with the unanimous approval of the large congregations which attended the different services yesterday.

The interior of the edifice has been finished in light, and presents a most attractive appearance. The work on the ceilings and walls, as well as on the pews has been carried out with pleasing effect, the colors of walls blending harmoniously with the finishing of the woodwork. Another improvement which greatly enhances the beauty of the interior is the installation of an entirely new system of tungsten lights. The re-opening services began at 11 o'clock and were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Wellington Camp. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Miles McCutcheon. The music was especially prepared for the occasion. Among those taking part in the musical service were Mrs. Thos. B. Perry, Miss R. Wilson, Wm. McEachern, F. L. Belyea.

An afternoon service was held at 3:15 o'clock when addresses were given by Rev. Joseph McLeod, D. D., Rev. J. L. Dawson, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, Mrs. Murray Long assisted the choir during the service. At the evening service the preacher was Rev. F. B. Porter, pastor of the German street Baptist church. The pastor, Rev. W. Camp delivered a brief address. In the musical service solos were rendered by Mrs. J. J. Akinson, while George E. Taylor, violin, assisted the choir. The choir was under the direction of F. L. Belyea. A congregational meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock. When there will be addresses by local ministers, and musical programme. The repairs to the church and work of renovating have been carried out at considerable expense, but the result justifies the expenditure, and reflects credit on the energy of pastor and congregation.

FRINK, THE MAYOR, WILL SPEAK ON SATURDAY

Rev. Canon Gould Discoursed on Interesting Subject Before Members of the Women's Canadian Club.

Before the Women's Canadian Club on Saturday afternoon, Rev. Canon Gould delivered his lecture on "Turkic Inhabitants." Over three hundred ladies, members of the club and their friends heard the lecture with interest. Mrs. E. A. Smith, president of the Club, presided at the business meeting, which preceded the lecture. The different committees submitted their reports for the month and all reports showed most activity in the various departments of the club's work.

The report of the educational committee read by Mrs. Kuhlring, conveyed the pleasing information that the committee had been successful in securing for the winter course of lectures the Blackmore lectures of McGill. This course will be given by local lecturers who will adapt them to the requirements of the occasion. The lectures will probably be given in the assembly hall of the Aberdeen and Pentecostal schools. The first lecture will probably be on the subject of "Our Island Neighbors."

Another interesting matter brought before the ladies of the club was the question of musical instruction in the public schools of the city. The question was discussed at length by the members. All voiced the opinion that the innovation would be beneficial and was unanimous in the adoption of the recommendation to work towards this objective. During the business session, the president, Mrs. E. A. Smith, introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Rev. Canon Gould, who was elected to membership. Mrs. R. D. Taylor, Mrs. E. C. Warburton, J. C. Davidson, Mrs. Daniel Walker, Miss Christine Crawford, Mrs. M. E. Fletcher, Mrs. W. C. S. Farnham, Mrs. C. Morrison, Mrs. Miss A. A. Gallagher, Mrs. J. R. Vanwart, Miss Phoebe Vanwart, Miss Marion Knox, Miss Isabelle Morrison, Mrs. Frank Connors, Mrs. J. Z. Fowler, Mrs. Max Ross, Miss L. McMillan, Mrs. A. Boyce, Mrs. G. Crayford, Mrs. Edith Nelson, Mrs. M. J. Walsh and Mrs. P. J. Mooney.

Following the business session, the president, Mrs. E. A. Smith, introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Rev. Canon Gould, who was elected to membership. The subject selected by the lecturer was most opportune, as the eyes of the world are at present on Turkey, and the interesting manner in which the subject was treated by Canon Gould made the address particularly instructive. Dealing first with conditions generally in Turkey, the lecturer referred to the political situation taken during recent years by the reform party, or Young Turks, their efforts to bring about the corruption and graft, and showed what the reformists had accomplished.

A lecturer gave an interesting account of the cities of Rhodes, Tripoli and Acre, the cities of exile to which the political prisoners are banished. Having spent 13 years in Turkey as a practicing physician, Canon Gould had an excellent opportunity to study the Turk in all phases of his character at close range, and his personal experiences of the subjects of Mahomedism as narrated on Saturday, proved a most entertaining story.

At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks moved by Mrs. D. Hutchinson, and seconded by Mrs. Manning W. Doherty, was tendered the lecturer by the president, Mrs. Smith.

After the lecture a social hour was spent. The tea was in charge of Mrs. John Bullock who was assisted by the tea committee.

MONS. STAGNI HERE TODAY. Apostolic Delegate Coming at Noon to Conduct Consecration of Bishop LeBlanc, in Cathedral Tomorrow.

In the cathedral at the different masses yesterday the arrangements for the consecration of Bishop LeBlanc on Tuesday morning were announced. The ceremonies will begin at ten o'clock, the consecrating bishop being His Excellency Monsignor Stagni, of Ottawa, who will have as assistant consecrators, Most Rev. Archbishop McCarthy, of Halifax, and Most Rev. Paul Bruchet, of Montreal. Other church dignitaries from all parts of Canada will be present, as well as the clergy from the surrounding dioceses. Rt. Rev. Dr. Morrison, bishop of Antigonish, is to deliver the sermon. The admission to the ceremonies will be by ticket, thus ensuring strangers an opportunity to witness the ceremonies which will prove unusually interesting.

The arrival of his excellency the apostolic delegate will be today at noon. A delegation will meet him at the depot, and escort him to the palace. A reception will be tendered him in Ottawa, who will have as assistant consecrators, Most Rev. Archbishop McCarthy, of Halifax, and Most Rev. Paul Bruchet, of Montreal. Other church dignitaries from all parts of Canada will be present, as well as the clergy from the surrounding dioceses. Rt. Rev. Dr. Morrison, bishop of Antigonish, is to deliver the sermon. The admission to the ceremonies will be by ticket, thus ensuring strangers an opportunity to witness the ceremonies which will prove unusually interesting.

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