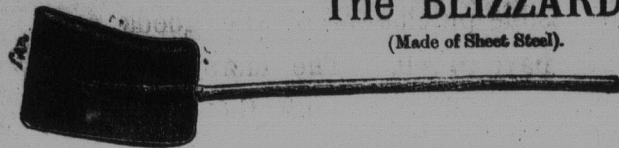


Snow Shovels.

The BLIZZARD,

(Made of Sheet Steel).



Medium Size, Price - - 25 cents.
Large Size, Price - - 30 cents.

|| SKIS || and || SNOWSHOES. ||

W. H. THORNE & CO., Limited

We have still a few of those

Special Value Overcoats

left. Come early and secure a bargain.

PRICE \$7.50.

J. N. HARVEY, 199 UNION STREET, Opera House Block.

HARNESS!
ROBES!
BLANKETS!

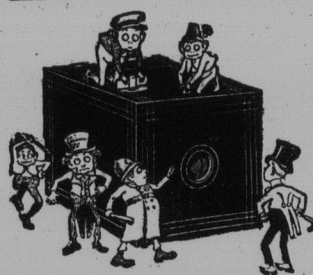
We have all styles of Driving and Working Harness which we offer at the lowest prices. Our stock is reliable. We use the best leather, the best of buckles, in fact everything that goes to make perfect harness is here. We also make a fine line of Collars. We keep everything needed for the horse, and invite your inspection. Headquarters for Robes and Blankets.

The largest Horse Furnishing Establishment in Eastern Canada.

H. HORTON & SON, 11 Market Sq. [Tel. 448.]

CHRISTMAS
KODAKS.Kodaks from \$5 to \$25
Brownie Cameras at \$1 & \$2

Ask to see the new Brownie, takes a picture 2 1/4 x 3 1/4. Price \$2.

E. G. NELSON & CO.,
Cor. King and Charlotte Sts.FOR
Ash Pungs and
Delivery Sleds
CALL ATJAMES A. KELLY'S,
640 to 644 Main Street, North End.

FALL WOOLLENS.

My stock of Imported and Domestic Woollens now open.

J. P. HOGAN, 101 Charlotte St., Opp. Hotel Dufferin, Telephone 1251.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Special Sale now on, of Fine
Gold and Silver Watches, and
Jewelry, Clocks, Silverware, Optical
Goods and NoveltiesAt discounts to beat the band, and everything
as represented by

W. Tremaine Gard,

Goldsmith and Jeweler, 48 King Street.

SPECIAL XMAS DINNER SETS.

40 DIFFERENT PATTERNS FROM WHICH TO CHOOSE.

Please note the prices:

\$5 50, 6 50, 7 00, 8 00, 8 50, 10 00, 11 00, 12 00, 16 00, 20 00,
26 00 to 75 00 each.W. H. HAYWARD, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33
PRINCESS STREET.

MAY RESULT IN WAR.

Germany and United States May
Clash Over Venezuelan Affairs.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Commenting on the London Times statement from Washington that persons of considerable importance in official circles there profess to believe that war between the United States and Germany is inevitable, the St. James Gazette, though it does not believe that such a disaster will be allowed to occur over a dispute in regard to the debts of Venezuela to Germany, says that if it does, there can be no doubt that English sympathies will be with America. At the same time the St. James Gazette expresses the hope that the United States will not allow such states as Venezuela to gain the impression that they can reckon on the protection of Monroism if they chose to repudiate their obligations to Europe.

A DANGEROUS FRESHET.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 30.—The rain which has fallen almost incessantly since Saturday evening, has resulted in a dangerous freshet in the Schuylkill river and today the water of that stream is fifteen and one-half feet above normal. All of the big industrial plants along the Schuylkill at Manayunk and Norristown, near here, are flooded and work has been suspended.

The county bridge at Port Kennedy, Pa., has been wrecked by the flood and the tracks of the Philadelphia and Reading railway at Spring Mill, about 8 miles from here, are submerged. Traffic, however, has not yet been seriously handicapped. In this city the river is out of its banks near the B. and O. railroad station, the water having backed out to 24th street, the first thoroughfare east of the station. Cellars of dwellings are flooded and many residents along the river early today sought safe quarters. The Mischickon drive, through Fairmont park, which runs along the Schuylkill river for miles, is under water.

THE DEATH ROLL.

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Dec. 30.—Dr. John Bell, the highest ranking Knight of Pythias in the world and one of the best known Pythians in Southern Michigan, is dead here. He was a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity throughout the state, and was elected major general of the uniform rank, K. O. P., of the world, in 1898. He was once major of the city of Benton Harbor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Frank H. Peavy, the Minneapolis elevator man, died at the auditorium annex this morning. Mr. Peavy was stricken with pneumonia several days ago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Eugene Carter, known throughout the country over as one of the greatest billiard players of the last decade, is dying at his home in this city. He is attacked with a complication of pulmonary troubles.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS WIN.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Dec. 29.—(via Haytien cable).—General Lysandro Mendoza (the president elect of the state of Carabobo), who rebelled against President Castro, marched on La Victoria and was said to have been defeated, and who was later reported to have escaped to the neighborhood of Juan De Los Moros, is now said to have reached Villa De Cura, in the state of Miranda, where he was routed by the government troops. In company with a small number of followers he escaped and reached La Puerta, where he was again overtaken and again defeated. Accompanied by only 40 men General Mendoza passed Ortiz in the state of Guayrico, Dec. 24. He was proceeding in the direction of Mountains considered to be almost inaccessible.

BRUTALLY ASSAULTED.

CHARLEMONT, Mass., Dec. 29.—Henry M. Warner, 61 years of age, and a former deputy sheriff, was the victim of a fearful and probably fatal assault about midnight last night and Edward Smith, a negro employed by Warner for many years, is locked up in Greenfield to await the result of the state in which it is claimed he inflicted. The affair took place in Mr. Warner's back kitchen and in endeavoring to separate the men, Mrs. Warner was also knocked down and badly bruised. She managed to regain her feet and with two other women who were in the house, ran, shaking in driving snow storm to the nearest neighbors.

WEAVERS OUT ON STRIKE.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 30.—Asserting that they have been paid less than other workmen, employed on the same class of goods elsewhere, and being unable to obtain a conference with the agent of the company, 220 weavers at the cotton mills here struck today. As the strikers have the sanction of their national organization, it is feared that the entire mill force of the city, numbering 3,500 to 3,800 will become involved if a settlement is not speedily reached.

AN EIGHT DAYS' FIRE.

SEATTLE, Wn., Dec. 30.—Fire which has been burning in the forward hold of the Shalmo since December 22 has been extinguished. When the fire was discovered the vessel returned to this port, whence she had sailed for the Orient but a few days previous. The damage to the cargo, chiefly cotton, is estimated at \$100,000.

TWELVE REPORTED KILLED

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 30.—A wreck reported to have occurred forty miles east of this place on the B. & O. Twelve or more are reported killed.

PULLMAN CAR QUARANTINED

Caused Considerable Excitement for a Time Today.

The Pullman car attached to the Boston express was in quarantine when the train pulled into the depot today. The car was locked at Fairville to the consternation of its passengers, in consequence of a telegram received by the local board of health this morning from McAdam.

The message was from a man named Johnston, who asked the board of health to have an ambulance ready on arrival of the train. The health officials naturally assumed the requirement was for an infectious disease and issued an order to have the car locked at Fairville.

On arrival here the board of health inspector and a physician met the car, which when boarded was found to contain a man in a critical condition from consumption. His brother, who accompanied him, under the impression that the health board here had charge of the emergency ambulance, had telegraphed.

The sick man is James Johnston, a moulder, who has been living in Boston. His home is at 42 Broad street.

PERSONAL.

Scott E. Morrill, who was in Boston on a business trip, arrived today to attend the funeral of his father.

Fred Stone, and Waldow Stone, sons, and Mrs. Thompson, sister of the late Mrs. J. R. Stone, arrived today on the Boston train.

E. H. McAlpine, K. C., has returned from Fredericton.

Gen. Supt. Osborne of the C. P. R., is now in Montreal in connection with business regarding the appropriations for next year's work.

James Ryan, formerly of Kings County, and now of Cranbrook, B. C., who has been in the city for several days, left this morning on a visit to friends in Sussex.

Harbor Inspector O'Brien is confined to his house through illness.

BAXTER-LEE.

At the residence of Joseph Henderson, Fairville, on Thursday evening last, Warren Hastings Baxter, son of William Baxter, and Miss Sarah Lee, daughter of the late William Lee, were united in marriage. The ceremony, which was a very quiet one, was performed in the presence of only a few immediate friends of the parties by the Rev. W. T. K. Thompson.

After the ceremony luncheon was served and Mr. and Mrs. Baxter left for a short visit to Sussex. Upon their return they will reside at Fairville. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

PROBATE COURT.

In the probate court today Edward McGuligan was removed as administrator in the McGuligan estate and John L. Carleton appointed in his stead.

Letters of administration in the estate of the late Mrs. Fanny Cullinan were granted to M. J. Cullinan. The estate consists of \$1,700 personal. J. R. Armstrong, proctor.

In the circuit court the case of McLeod v. Curry was postponed until Jan. 3.

A LIBEL SUIT.

J. R. Armstrong, K. C., has been retained by Mayor Daniel to enter an action against the Daily Telegraph Publishing Co. for libel. The damages which will be asked could not be learned by the Star this morning, but it is said that the amount will be in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

An editorial which appeared in the Telegraph on the morning of Dec. 25th inst., is the cause of the impending suit.

THE LIQUOR VOTE.

Toronto Telegram Draws a Lesson From the Election in Brandon.

Toronto Telegram: Whiskey will stand by its political friends and throttle its political enemies.

Whiskey muzzed its forces to crush Hugh John Macdonald in Brandon.

Prohibition labored to find excuses for opposing the candidate who had given the prohibitionists what they demanded, and supporting the theatrical prohibitionists who had never done anything for the cause.

The Sifton banquet in the pavilion a year ago attracted J. J. MacLaren, K. C., and another prominent member of the Dominion Alliance to the table. Where two brewers were also seated. Scores of the alleged prohibitionists assisted Mr. MacLaren to rejoice over the victory of Hon. Clifford Sifton, "a life-long prohibitionist." The brewers rejoiced with their fellow-guests in the election of this "life-long prohibitionist," whose victory was accepted as a tribute to the power of the liquor interest, which rallied in Brandon to defeat the only Canadian politician who ever placed a prohibitory law on the statute book.

Prohibitionists pass resolutions, but they do not mark ballots. The liquor interest is a power, prohibition sentiment is at zero mark in politics. Prohibition could only be forced into prominence in politics by the sincerity of adherents who can learn to vote for their issue at the polls.

KNOW THEM BY THEIR MUGS.

"They tell me," remarked the man with the furrowed brow, "that you barbers are very proficient in the study of physiognomy."

"That's right," replied the barber. "We can generally size up a man by his mug."—Philadelphia Record.

BLAMING THE MAN, OF COURSE.

She—Do you remember how you said when you were courting me that if I would marry you I would have nothing to do all my days but sit about and look pretty? And how different it is now!

He—Well, it isn't my fault if you can't look pretty any more.

CHINA VIOLATING PROTOCOL.

Arms and Ammunition Being Distributed and Arsenal Enlarged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Charles F. Gammon, superintendent of Colporteurs Fort Ann Bible Society in Northern China, writes to the society concerning the present situation in the Chinese empire, as follows:

While at Shanghai, I observed that the government was openly violating the provisions of the protocol. The great empire would shake off European domination. Thousands of boatloads of small arms and ammunition were passing weekly up the Yang Tse Kiang and the arsenals were being enlarged and worked day and night. Charges of explosives were being received and the dowager empress had issued instructions to all officials to recruit the army, and also to inform her as to the fighting strength of each division and the time required to concentrate the forces at a given point. There were and are many other unpromising features which weighed heavily upon the minds of those interested. I must believe that the end is not yet, and that within ten years, and possibly five, a war will ensue.

For centuries China has been making repeated attempts to expel the foreigner, each time profiting by past experiences, each time with more power and success, each time better equipped and better planned. She is now preparing as never before, buying vast quantities of superior weapons and reorganizing her armies on a correct basis, therefore, the next attempt will be gigantic in force and terrible in execution. It will result in an universal upheaval and the final dismemberment of this empire at a terrible cost.

TO BLOCK CONSOLIDATION.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 30.—A special from Helena says Governor Toole is actively preparing for the conference of northwestern governors to be held in this city to decide upon plans to block the proposed consolidation of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Burlington roads.

The meeting will be merely a conference at which the governors will endeavor to formulate a plan for united action.

A TOTAL LOSS.

SEATTLE, Wn., Dec. 30.—The schooner Minnie A. Caine, which went on the Smith Island rocks during the storm Thursday will probably be a total loss. She is well up on the beach, fifteen feet above water at low tide, and in the midst of boulders, though a portion of the vessel is sinking into the sand, her bottom is filled with holes and the keel is gone. A tug will leave today for the scene of the wreck to bring the equipment saved to this city.

ROWING REGATTA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—It is believed that the next national rowing regatta will be held on Lake Quinsigamond, near Worcester, Mass. Julius D. Mahr, of the Metropolitan Rowing club, is authority for the statement that Wachusetts Boat Club had signed its intent to apply for the regatta at the annual meeting of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen to be held next March, and that many of the local and eastern oarsmen are in favor of the plan.

WRECKAGE FLOATING ASHORE.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 29.—Advices from Neah Bay say that a large amount of wreckage is being found on the beach south of Cape Flattery, among which is a broken row-boat, several oars and life preservers, hatchets, broken doors and a quantity of boards, probably belonging to the deckhouse of some vessel. Bedding was also found on various parts of the beach.

From information at hand, no clue is furnished by these findings, though it is thought that the wreckage was part of the collier Mattewan.

SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The war office has received a despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Johannesburg, saying that the British prisoners captured when the Boers successfully rushed Col. Firmans camp at Zeefontein, Dec. 24, have been liberated and returned to their homes.

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—In the Church of England churches today was observed as a day of special intercession for the speedy ending of the war in South Africa.

SAID HE LOOTED.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 30.—General Baron Yamaguchi, who commanded the Japanese troops in China, has resigned the command of the fifth division of the Japanese army. The general's action was due to the fact that public charges of looting had been brought against him.

MORE RAIN TO COME.

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Strong winds and gales of variable direction; unsettled with rain. Tuesday, still unsettled, occasional rains or snow.

WHAT SHE WANTED TO KNOW.

(Chicago News.)
She (after the engagement)—Why did you happen to fall in love with poor little insignificant me.

He—Oh—because you are not like the other girls, for one reason!

She—D—did the other girls all refuse you?

Two inches of rain have fallen during the present precipitation.

HOCKEY BOOTS

FOR EVERYONE.

In Black, Tan or Chocolate.

Skates put on free of charge, while you wait, by experienced workmen.

Call and See Them—

The Prices Will

Surprise You.

W. A. SINCLAIR,

65 Brussels Street, St. John.

For

An

Up-to-Date

OVERCOAT

Or SUIT, Try

EDGEcombe &

CHAISSON.

Their

Woollens

Are all of the

Newest Makes

And Mixtures.

104 KING STREET,
Trinity Block.HAWAIIAN,
MAHIA and
DOMESTIC
CIGARS.
El Cesar,
La Fabria,
Thomas Gutierrez.

THOMAS L. BOURKE, 25 Water St.

BARLEY BREE.

Your Taste
Is Correct

if tested by Barley Bree
—the ideal whiskey by
the verdict of all connois-
seurs.

SOLD BY

JAMES RYAN,
KING SQUARE.

GOING! GOING!! GOING!!!

Those Blue Nose Buffalos at

Wm. Peters',
266 Union Street.Are going off. If you want one
call soon.

Pretty Gifts!

Small fancy goods at 10 to 35 cents.
Were formerly much higher. Come
and see them.

I have a new stock of musical in-
struments. Sheet music, old and new.

81 Germain Street.

A. L. SPENCER.

CHAS. BAILLIE,

Tobacco, Pipes, Etc.

Direct importer of Havana Cigar
and Fishing Tackle.

70 King Street.

AFTER THE FIRE.

As soon as we are through with
the insurance people we will have
a Sale of Damaged Goods at

F. E. HOLMAN'S Store,
King Street, opposite our old
stand.

A. E. CLARKE.

Men's Frieze Reefers.

With
Storm
Collars
at
\$3.00,
\$3.50
and
\$4.00.

Only
a
Few
Left.

WILCOX BROS.

54 & 56 Dock St.

LIVERY STABLES.

I Think I Can Give You Better Service

That you can get elsewhere. Large, warm box stalls, the best feed, get your horse for you any hour of the day or night. A visit to my barn will make you one of my customers.

J. B. HAMM, 134 Union Street.
Telephone No. 11.

DAVID CONNELL,

BOARING, HACK AND LIVERY STABLES.
45 and 47 Waterloo St., St. John, N. B.
Horses boarded on Reasonable Terms;
Horses and Carriages on Hire; Fine Fit-outs at short notice.
A large buck-board wagon, seats fifteen to twenty people, to let, with or without horses.
Telephone 98.

DAVID WATSON,

BOARING, HACK AND LIVERY STABLES.
Coaches in attendance at all boats and trains.
Horses to hire at reasonable terms.

91 to 95 Duke Street. Tel. 78

WE WILL COME IN A HURRY

As soon as you give us the word that you want a Carriage or Coach, and you can depend upon getting the best of service, too. We will look after your baggage promptly and without confusion and annoyance to you.

T. A. SHORT, 12 Dorchester St. Tel. 263.

MISS S. C. MULLIN

Carries the most fashionable stock of Millinery to be had in St. John City. Style unequalled. Prices real moderate.

339 Main St. Opp. Douglas Avenue.

A GOOD INVESTMENT.

It will pay you to have your work done at DUNHAM'S Upholstering, Carpet Laying, Furniture Polishing and Packing, Repairing, etc. First Class work at moderate prices.

FRED H. DUNHAM,

408 Main Street, N. E.

HENRY DUNBRACK,

... CONTRACTOR FOR ...
Hot Water or Steam Heating and Plumbing
... DEALER IN ...
Water and Gas Fixtures.

78 & 72 PRINCESS STREET, St. John, N. B.
Telephone Office, 539 Residence, 328.

HOTELS.

HOTEL DUFFERIN.

E. LEROY WILLIS, St. John, N. B.

J. J. McCaffrey, Manager.

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

THE ST. JOHN STAR is published by THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY (LTD.), at St. John, New Brunswick, every afternoon (except Sunday) at \$2 a year.

ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 30, 1901

THE YORK ELECTION.

The election in York on Saturday resulted in another victory for Mr. Gibson by an increased majority. Despite this fact, Dr. McLeod put up a strong fight though against decidedly adverse circumstances. Against him were combined the influence of the extensive business connection of the Gibson Company, the prestige of two governments, the weight of the Gleaner, which previously had supported, and the disaffection of a number of one-time prominent conservatives. The vote on Saturday was considerably lighter than at the general election. The storm on the previous day probably accounted to a considerable extent for this, and at the same time the smaller vote worked adversely to the interests of Dr. McLeod. Yet he polled about two thousand votes, and these two thousand were before the election slightly termed a mere faction. Though Dr. McLeod was beaten he made a magnificent fight, which entitles him to the congratulations of all liberal conservatives.

COMPARATIVELY SOBER.

From the latest report of the inland revenue department it would appear that Canadians are a people of comparative sobriety. It also appears that our tastes in liquid refreshments are slowly but surely changing from wine and spirits to plebeian beer. The consumption of the latter is gradually increasing, but even yet one Englishman drinks as much beer in the course of twelve months as seven Canadians. This, however, does not afford a very strong basis for congratulation. The country is still young, and moreover the thirst for beer is gradually growing. When Canada has been manufacturing and consuming that liquid for as many hundred years as the mother country has to this date, the figures may not be so comparatively small. In the matter of wine and spirits Canada is comparatively a light drinker, and is much less addicted to their use than the people of the old country, and cannot lay claim to anything like the thirst of our cousins across the border. While comparatively sober, Canadians cannot lay claim to be teetotallers. A consumption of almost five gallons of beer per head, a tampering with spirits to the amount of three quarters of a gallon for each inhabitant, and a mild drinking of about a tenth of a gallon of wine for each person every year, is sufficient to render re-education necessary. There are, fortunately, many in the Dominion who do not contribute to this general affluence, in fact the number of total abstainers in this country is probably greater in proportion to the population than in any other portion of the world, where there are temperance societies and an inland revenue department.

It is stated that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the leader of the liberal party in Great Britain has written to Lord Rosebery asking for his aid to unite the different factions of that party. The request is practically tantamount to an offer of leadership, so far as Sir Henry is concerned. Lord Rosebery has replied that under existing circumstances he does not feel willing to throw in his fortunes with the liberals. If the report is true, the former premier stands in the position of a man willing to give advice and at the same time not desirous of personally testing its efficacy. Such being the case, this will apparently strengthen the hands of the present leader in what has appeared to be the hopeless task of bringing the liberal party into unity and harmony.

Something will have to be done with the ubiquitous fly. It has been and is accused of many things which do not tend to bring it into popular favor. Lately an English physician, who has been engaged in South Africa states that an epidemic of typhoid at Ladysmith over a year ago was contemporaneous with a pest of these insects. Some time afterwards the disease broke out again, but in an exceedingly mild and limited form. The flies were not present and their absence is declared to be due to the fact that all meats were treated with a certain chemical solution, which was not pleasant to their cultivated taste. There ought to be a splendid field out there for a sticky fly paper manufacturer.

Senator Hanna predicts that very important results will follow the establishment of a labor arbitration court. While strikes will continue, the new movement will, he hopes, reduce the evil to a minimum. He is reported as having said: "The highest wisdom and best thought of both capital and labor are represented at the heads of the two forces, and men of such calibre and character easily can be brought together on a common basis

for the promotion of the best interests of both sides. Thus the so-called widening gulf between capital and labor in the United States will be narrowed and bridged, and the dangers of strikes and other industrial disturbances will be minimized."

STORY OF KITCHENER.

Prowling Around the Camp—A Man Ever on the Alert.

An esteemed contemporary of the Liverpool Post sends to that journal the following story of a high personage, declaring it to be entirely true. A friend of mine, an officer in the Regiment, who has just returned from South Africa, told me the following story: We had been ordered up from our camp to join Lord Kitchener's column in the great trek after DeWet last year. It was two o'clock in the morning when we joined the column, and for the last eight hours we had marched without a break, so that we were both sleepy and hungry when we arrived. There was a white frost on the ground, and it was bitter cold. We rolled ourselves up in our blankets and tried to sleep but the cold was so intense that we were all glad when five o'clock came and we could get some hot coffee. I was sitting on a provision box with a bag of coffee in one hand and a piece of biscuit in the other, when presently there came up a long, lean figure, smoking vigorously at a cigar, of wondrous dimensions. His breeches were all torn, his leggings dirty, and he wore a plain, short "veldt coat" and a field service cap, without any rank, badge or buttons. "He hadn't been shaved for at least three or four days, and the ends of his long mustache had been chewed into a most disgraceful condition. 'Hello!' I thought, 'here comes another of those blooming scallwags to cadge a drink of whiskey or borrow some tobacco, or something.' I wasn't inclined to be over-polite having had little food and practically no sleep for over twenty-four hours. He came up, looked me over, and said:

"'Hello! when did you come in?' " "Just come in now," I said, "and beastly tired we are too. What are we supposed to be after, do you know?"

"We're supposed to be after De Wet," he said, pulling away at his cigar.

"After De Wet! Well, I should think you're about darned well sick of it, aren't you?"

"Oh! we shall get him in time, I believe."

I borrowed a match from him and lit my pipe, saying as I did so:

"Well, I don't know what the deuce Kitchener wanted to hurry us all up this way for when there were plenty of other battalions close at hand."

"Why, you see," he said, "I heard good reports of you chaps, so I thought I'd like to have you with me on this trek. That's why!"

It suddenly dawned upon me. It was Lord Kitchener! I felt very small, but made the best I could of a rather awkward situation. Afterwards I met a friend of mine in the —th, and told him. He said Kitchener was always prowling round half the night, and you never know where he would pounce down upon you. Even then you would never recognize him, unless you saw his eyes. Then you would!

'BOXING' AND 'WINDOW DRESSING'.

What These Expressions Connected with English Holidays Mean and Their Origin.

Cables from London the other day announced a holiday upon the Stock Exchange, it being "Boxing day."

The origin of the expression is as follows: The day after Christmas came to be observed years ago, before railroads and express trains carried presents to their destination promptly. Then the boxes which inclosed the holiday gifts hardly ever arrived by stage until the day after Christmas.

So December 26 became an annual holiday set aside for the opening of boxes, or, in other words, "Boxing day."

The announcement by cable the other day that the English banks had about completed "window dressing" conveyed the impression to the layman that these stated British institutions had decorated their front windows, perhaps after the manner of a modern department store, in celebration of the season.

What was meant by the expression was this. As the close of the year draws near the end banks abroad prepare to make the best showing possible at the close of business December 31. They call this "window dressing."

FUNERAL OF A. C. SMITH.

The remains of the late A. C. Smith were laid to rest yesterday at Cedar Hill cemetery. The funeral took place from his late residence, Queen square, Carleton, and was attended by a large concourse of representative citizens. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Geo. A. Hartley, the pastor of the deceased's church. Rev. G. F. Scoville of St. Jude's church and Rev. C. T. Phillips of Waterloo street Free Baptist church. Besides these Revs. John Hughes and J. W. Manning and H. M. Spike were present. The pall-bearers were Jeremiah Smith of Minneapolis, Smith of Woodstock, Israel E. Smith of this city, brothers of the deceased, and his nephews, Frank Smith, Harry G. Smith and Luther B. Smith.

At Cedar Hill Rev. Geo. A. Hartley and the chaplain of Carleton Union lodge, F. and A. M., and Golden Rule lodge, I. O. O. F., officiated at the service.

EASILY REMEDIED.

"Yes," said the aristocrat, "I was indignant, and I wrote him that the clandestine marriage of our son to his daughter was a blot on the family 'scutcheon, and his only reply was to send me an advertisement of a new brand of soap he is just putting on the market."—Chicago Post.

DIED OF SMALLPOX.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29.—The wife of Dr. Finn of this city, who was taken to the infectious diseases hospital suffering with smallpox, died last night. She was Miss Dowdle of Dartmouth, and was married two years ago. A two months old infant survives.

RESTORED HIS SIGHT.

New York Religious Circles Interested in the Statement of Rev. Dr. Chas. M. Herald—What He Says.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Religious circles in this city are interested in the announcement by the Rev. Dr. Charles M. Herald, pastor of the Bethesda Congregational church, Brooklyn, who was recently attacked with blindness while in the city, that he had recovered. Dr. Herald has accepted the position of secretary of the American Bible Society.

In speaking of his recovery Dr. Herald declared that God had restored his sight. He said: "When the surgeon performed the operation he said there was no hope of my recovering my eyesight. I then fought the battle, the most stubborn and most trying battle I have ever known in my 13 years' experience as a preacher of the gospel. The enemy of my soul then appeared and jeered at me, saying, 'now you believe that the grace of God is all that is needed; you have preached to your congregation for 12 years? Now, will He help you?' God heard my prayer and did what man could not do. He restored my sight."

HALIFAX TAXATION.

The Halifax civic finance committee have finished the consideration of the estimates. The total amount to be assessed next year will be \$404,417, against \$396,823 last year. This increase does not include the sum of \$5,000 that was taken from the unexpended balances account of previous years. The increases include \$6,000 for school board, \$5,500 for the board of works, and \$1,000 for the interest account. Notwithstanding three increases in salaries the salary account is about \$2,000 less than last year, made up by the abolition of the office of city caretaker and reduction in the salaries of the auditor and license inspector. It was stated at the last meeting that the rate of taxation for the ensuing year would be about \$1.75, an increase of 5 per cent. The committee held a lengthy "talk" on this subject. They thought it about time to call a halt and to provide some means to keep the assessment down. All the aldermen present pledged themselves to vote against any further street, water and sewer extension. The street mileage of Halifax they claimed was out of proportion with the population of the city. The committee also discussed the sinking fund question, and a future meeting will be called to deal with the matter.

S. OF T. ANNIVERSARY.

On Saturday evening St. George's division, No. 253, S. of T., celebrated their 13th anniversary. There was a large attendance and the following programme was carried out: Opening address by the chairman, A. J. Arnold; solo, Miss N. Clifford; address by the Rev. Geo. Steel, P. G. W. P.; gramophone selection; address by the Miss L. White; speech by J. R. Woodburn, P. G. W. P.; recitation, Miss L. McQuinn; reading, S. P. McQuinn; P. G. W. A.; banjo solo, Mr. Daley; speech by E. A. Everett; harmonica solo, Mr. Burke; speech, E. S. Hennigar, P. G. W. A. Refreshments were then served by the lady members of St. George's division. The meeting closed in due form, having spent an enjoyable evening.

RECENT DEATHS.

William G. Evelyn died at his residence, west end, on Sunday, aged 51 years, leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn their sad loss. The funeral will take place tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon, from his late residence on King street, St. John West.

The death took place on the 28th inst. at her residence, Dorchester street, of Elizabeth, beloved wife of James E. Whittaker, after only one day's illness and within a few hours of the forty-eighth anniversary of her marriage. Deceased was the eldest daughter of the late George Sancton, and leaves a husband, two sons, four daughters, seven sisters and one brother, also a widowed mother, now her ninety-second year. Mrs. Whittaker was a most estimable lady, and her sudden death will be deeply mourned by a wide circle.

DINED AT THE DUFFERIN.

On Saturday evening the directors of the Lawton Co., Ltd., with several other gentlemen, spent a very pleasant two hours in a private dining room at the Dufferin hotel, as the guests at dinner of W. E. Earle, the president of the company. It was an informal affair, and given by Mr. Earle in connection with the first annual meeting of the directors and the appointment of A. W. Gay as manager. The Lawton Co., Ltd. has been operating since September the factory formerly owned by Scott & Lawton. William Lawton, one of the original founders of the business, and a director of the company, was present on Saturday evening, and graceful references to his skill and knowledge were made by Mr. Earle and Mr. Gay.

A DEADLY FLYER.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Four persons were killed and 29 injured, several of them possibly fatally, in a collision on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad today, at Malta, Ill., sixty miles west of Chicago. The trains in collision were the "Omaha Flyer," an eastbound passenger train, and an eastbound freight train. The wreck caught fire and two passenger coaches were burned and another sleeping car was partly consumed.

ROSEBERY LEAVES THE PARTY.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily News, a liberal organ, today admits that Lord Rosebery has declined to act with the liberal party, and although the paper regrets his voluntary severance from the party, it thinks it well that the air has been cleared and that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is more firmly installed in the leadership.

Capt. Smith, who has served successfully in the Battle line for some years, goes to Liverpool on a tour of inspection, and assumes command of the new Battle liner Nemes.

Try the STAR!

In your Advertising Contracts for 1902 remember the STAR. It has a large and steadily growing circulation among the people who are possible purchasers of the goods you have to sell. The more attractive your advertisements the better the returns will be. Every advertisement in this paper is next to reading matter and catches the eye.

Try the STAR!



CHRISTMAS OAKES AND PIES.

You must have them and its an awful bother to bake them, isn't it? They might spoil in the baking and ruin all. Just leave your order here and put trouble away. We can supply layer cakes, ornamental and fancy cakes, mince and pumpkin pies, the best ever made. Better leave your order early—first come, first served.

Hygienic Bakery

134-136-138 Mill Street.

Phone 110

AMERICA LEADS IN ASTRONOMY.

(Chicago News.)

"America is doing more, and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe combined. S. H. Burnham is the greatest double-star astronomer that lives or ever lived," says Sir Robert Ball, professor of mathematics and astronomy at Cambridge University. "In astronomical matters," he said, "we in Europe all look to America. The primacy of America in these matters is largely due to the climate, which is favorable to astronomical observation, but much more to the wealth of the American people and the large sums of money that they devote to astronomical apparatus. I must admit, however, that it is also due in part to the superior talents of the American astronomers. Both the Yerkes telescope and the Lick telescope are larger than anything in Europe. It may sound like fulsome flattery, but it is a cold fact that America is doing more and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe together."

COUGHS, COLDS, HOARSENESS, AND OTHER THROAT AFFECTIONS ARE QUICKLY RELIEVED BY VAPOR-CRESCOL TABLETS, TEN CENTS PER BOX. ALL DRUGGISTS.

HON. HORACE PLUNKETT.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—Hon. Horace Plunkett, ex-M. P., who was defeated by Col. Lynch of pro-Boer fame in the celebrated Galway contest, was an honored guest of the National Club here tonight. He delivered an interesting address on the social and economic affairs of Ireland. In the course of his address Mr. Plunkett said he quite understood how a great many Canadians sympathized with the cause of home rule for Ireland. It was quite natural, since many leading statesmen, including Premier Laurier, had based their conclusions upon conditions in Canada, without being thoroughly cognizant of the conditions in Ireland. The conditions of both countries in their relations to England were entirely different.

BIG JEWELRY ROBBERY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Last night it was learned at police headquarters that Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Thebaud of Madison avenue had been robbed of jewelry worth \$50,000. This was corroborated by Mr. Thebaud himself, who was at headquarters at 1 o'clock this morning, where, in company with a member of the firm from whom most of the jewelry had been purchased, he gave to the police a partial list of the jewels taken. The valuables consisted in part of one pear-shaped diamond, said by Mr. Thebaud to be worth \$20,000, one pearl, weighing 44 grains, said to be worth \$15,000, and three hundred scarf pins and small ornaments, making up a total of about fifty thousand dollars.

BRITAIN'S COAL RESOURCES.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A royal commission has been appointed to inquire into the coal resources of Great Britain. The questions to be covered by the commission's inquiries will include the rate of possible exhaustion of British coal fields, the effect of the export of coal on the home supply; the possibility of a reduction in its cost by cheaper transportation, and whether the coal mining industry of Great Britain under the existing conditions is maintaining its competitive power with foreign coal fields, etc.

THEORY AND PRACTICE.

(Philadelphia Press.)
Towns—You know Greenleaf believes in the theory that we all become what we eat.

Brown—But he's a vegetarian, isn't he?

Towns—Yes.
Brown—Then how does he account for his having become such a lobster?

IT WAS EASY.

She.—Mr. Spacer says he got a mere trifle for the last poem of his.
He.—A mere trifle? Why, the editor hit him with an ink well and threw him down the elevator shaft!

She.—Yes; but that's a mere trifle to Mr. Spacer—he used to be a football player.—Judge.

To cure a Headache in ten minutes use KUMFORT Headache Powders.

HELP WANTED, FEMALE.

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

WANTED.—Contractor wanted at once. Apply to N. A. SEELY, 86 Germain street.

HELP WANTED, MALE.

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

WANTED.—A bright boy about 15 years old to learn the drug business. Apply between 4 and 6 p. m. at MOORE'S DRUG STORE, 109 Brussels street, corner Richmond.

GENERAL AGENTS WANTED in each town for special, accident, sickness, indemnification policies and general insurance business. Liberal terms to reliable men. Write box 375, Montreal.

WANTED.

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

WANTED—to Rent—Medium sized house in good locality, modern conveniences, also a barn or storehouse, preferably on same lot. Give all particulars of rent, heating, lighting, etc. Write W. C. H. Star Office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ALL KINDS SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED.
Needles and parts for all makes at W. H. BELLS, 28 Dock Street.

FOR SALE.

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

CARDBOARD PLACARDS OF FLATS, ROOMS, SHOPS AND HOUSES TO LET can be had at the Sun Counting Room.

FOR SALE—A chemist's balance with all necessary weights; good as new. Apply A. M. Star office.

FOUND.

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

FOUND.—On Tuesday evening a purse containing money. The owner can have same by applying at 45 Coburg street.

MONEY TO LOAN

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

MONEY—Advanced on mortgage in large or small sums. Apply to Chas. MacDonald, barrister, Walker building, Canterbury St.

On Freshford and Leasehold Property, repayable by monthly instalments or otherwise. Apply to CHAPMAN & TILLEY, Barristers, Palmer's Building, Princess street.

STEAMERS.

INTERNATIONAL S. S. CO.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

ONE TRIP A WEEK

BOSTON!

\$3.50—WINTER RATE—\$3.50.

COMMENCING DEC. 19th, the steamer ST. CROIX will leave St. John every THURSDAY morning, at 7.30, Standard, for Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston.

Returning, leaves Boston MONDAY at 8.15 a. m.

Freight received daily up to 5 p. m.

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

GOOD BUTTER.

JAMES PATTERSON,

19 and 20 South Market Wharf, City Market.

Great Reductions

Millinery.

Our entire stock of trimmed and untrimmed Hats, Toques and Bonnets at greatly reduced prices.

Mourning Millinery a Specialty.
Corsets a Specialty.

Chas. K. Cameron & Co.
77 King Street.

EVERYONE

Who purchases a load of Reserve, Caledonia, Springhill, Sydney or Hard Coal from me (cash with order) previous to JANUARY 10th, 1902,

HAS A CHANCE

to get a load of Soft Coal FREE. Someone will get it. It may be you.

J. S. FROST, 11 Union Street.

TO COOK

All the good things for the Holiday Season and have the house warm and comfortable, get a good supply of Coal, Wood and Kindling early at

GIBBON & CO'S, 5 MYNNE STREET (Near N. Wharf), 6-1-2 Charlotte St.

TURKISH BATHS,
Union, Corner Hazen Street.

Among the many who have derived pleasure and benefit and permit the proprietor to use their names as references are:

Dr. J. E. March, Dr. G. A. B. Addy, Dr. J. H. Cunningham, Boston; Dr. Geo. Hetherington, Dr. J. M. Smith, Dr. J. E. Steeves, R. Keite Jones, John A. McAvity, Rev. G. F. Scott, C. J. Coster, A. W. Macrae, John McMillan, W. C. Purves, E. L. Rising, Silas Alward, A. C. Fairweather, Wm. Pugsley, H. C. Page, Wm. Watson Allen, Percy W. Thomson, E. G. Evans, A. Geo. Blair, F. E. Williams, S. L. Kerr, D. Churchill, and many others.

JOHN W. ADDISON,
GENERAL HARDWARE,

Houses Furnishings, Sporting Goods and Toys.

The cheapest store in the city to buy Wringers, Washtubs, Washboards, Washing Machines, etc. We sell extra wringer rolls and repair wringers of all kinds.

44 Germain St., Market Bldg.
Tel. 1074.

JOHN RUBINS,
—CUSTOM TAILOR—

Clothes cleaned, repaired and pressed at short notice.
53 Germain Street.

Coal

Sold by bushel, barrel or ton at

LAW & CO'S,
Tel. 1348. Foot of Clarence St.

H. L. COATES,
(Cor. Main and Harrison Streets, Opposite St. Luke's Church, N. E.)

CARPENTER, BUILDER
and GENERAL JOBBER.

Special attention given to the placing of plate glass windows.

HULL, Que., Dec. 29.—Stanislaus Lacroix, the Montebello murderer, was today sentenced to be hanged March 21st. After sentence Lacroix addressed the court, creating a scene by informing the court that he would never be hanged, as he would commit suicide. HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 28.—The Canadian Packers' Association concluded its session here today. It decided to establish standards and that the products of factories will be graded and sold accordingly. It decided also to seek an export market by establishing stores in England, Scotland and Ireland.

"Patterson's,"

Cor. Charlotte and Duke Streets.

Hosiery.

Let your mind turn now to Hosiery—and the place to buy is here.

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING.
CASH ONLY.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers will please send in copy early in the morning, to ensure the necessary change being made.

LOCAL NEWS.

F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s store will be open on Tuesday evening.

The country market will be open New Year's eve until ten o'clock.

Court Log Cabin, I. O. F., will meet in Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street, to elect officers for the ensuing year.

The employees of the Strait Shore rolling mills will hold a dinner gathering at the Park hotel tonight.

Steamers Alcedo and Manchester Commerce went to sea this afternoon. The Evangeline is expected to sail at midnight tonight.

Every member of Court Log Cabin, I. O. F., is requested to be present tonight, as important business is the topic of the meeting.

Mrs. McCarthy, an elderly woman who lives on North street, was run down Saturday evening by a grocery team on Mill street and had one of her legs broken.

At a meeting of the water and sewerage board this afternoon the acquisition of the Quanton property, Spruce lake was under consideration.

In the heavy rain fall yesterday a bridge on the St. Martins railway was washed away. All trains on the road are cancelled indefinitely.

A watch night service will be held at St. John's church on Tuesday evening, beginning at 11.15. A similar service at Centenary will commence at 11.

The services at St. Mary's church yesterday were taken by the clergy of St. John's church. It was announced that Mr. Raymond hopes to be able to return to his duties next Sunday.

Henry P. Allingham of Fairville, and Frank C. Abbott, an employee of T. McAvity & Sons, have been appointed tidewaiters in St. John customs house. The new officials went on duty this morning.

No reports have been as yet received of damage on the I. C. R. on account of the storm, and it is thought that the ground is frozen sufficiently to withstand any amount of rain.

The Waterloo street Free Baptist church remembered their pastor and his wife by presenting one with a valuable Persian lamb collar and the other with ten and five dollar gold pieces.

The prevailing storm which, it was feared might cause trouble on the C. P. R., especially in the district where the recent washouts occurred, has not done any damage. Reports from the Megantic end of the division show that the rain has not reached there.

In any kind of stormy weather the residents of Victoria street suffer. It is snowed they have to wade through the drifts, for the snow plough does not reach there. If it rains they have to improvise crossings cut of stray boards and the like in order to avoid sticking in the miry clay.

Further particulars have been received here of the death of Charles Lunney of the city. It appears that on Christmas day he was working on a brow of logs at Lewis, Quebec, when a log rolled out and struck him on the body was brought here Saturday and internment took place on the arrival of the train.

It is an old saying that you have to go away to hear the home news. The Fredericton papers tell us that the logs have run out above the Grand Falls. We presume what they say must be true, and the logs must have found a subterranean passage, or perhaps some night while we were asleep they took an aerial flight over the town. At this writing, after two heavy rainstorms the ice in the Upper Basin is still hard and fast. The water at the Falls has risen to about one-half spring freshet.—Victoria County News.

THE FREIGHT TROUBLE.

Just Where the Difficulty of the Matter Really Lies.

Some complaint has been expressed by the steamship men at Sand Point in regard to a shortage of freight. They claim that at times there is not sufficient freight on hand to keep them going.

Railroad men say that the truth of the matter is that the cause of complaint is not so much a shortage of freight as the fact that it is all mixed up and has to be assorted for loading. The C. P. R. are unable to pick out all articles sent to St. John and place them in cars arranged in regular order for loading, but are compelled on account of the heavy traffic over the line to rush the export freight down here just as fast as it can be hauled. Instead of there being a shortage of freight for the winter port boats two hundred and forty-four cars.

During the twenty-four hours ending Saturday night, one hundred and eighty-three cars of freight for St. John left Megantic and during the coming week an average of one hundred and fifty cars daily will be sent. This freight is assorted for the different steamers, but the difficulty complained of by the steamship men lies in the fact that both heavy and light freight is sent to them at the same time and they experience some delay in extracting from the abundance the kind suited to the regular system of stowage.

SMALLPOX.

No smallpox cases have been reported since Monday last.

This morning Mrs. H. A. McKeown reported to be not so well. The disease in her case is in its critical stage.

The remains of Mrs. McAfee, who died Sunday, were buried today. Rev. Mr. Roach officiated at the funeral.

Wm. A. Beckett, the city constable who was reported Saturday as a suspect, was examined later in the day by Dr. Morris, who pronounced that the man's ailment was not smallpox.

Wm. Mumford, James Hyson, Robert Cullen, Mrs. Stack and Mrs. Nash are ready to be discharged from the isolation hospital.

Mrs. Marion McAfee, aged 54, who was taken ill with smallpox Dec. 21, died early yesterday morning. This makes the twenty-first death out of a total list of ninety-five cases, twenty-nine of which have recovered, leaving forty-four now ill. Most of these are convalescent.

THISTLE CURLING RINK.

The motto of the Thistle curling rink is "We daur ye tae the Fecht," but they should add Derigo.

To say that the Thistle curling rink is the finest and best equipped rink east of Montreal goes without saying. There is one larger. The Thistles are up to date, and the members try in every way to keep it in the lead, for they believe in quality not quantity. When you enter the rink it is a sea of flags, roof, rafters and walls covered with them, and on Saturday last eighteen shields were put on the walls, nine representing the game of points and nine curling phrases interspersed. They are painted red, white and blue, with two Canadian flags festooned over each, and read as follows: Striking, "Dinna be a Hog;" Invicting, "Soop her up;" Drawing, "Gie it hegs;" Guarding, "Put a pat lid on this;" Chap and Lie, "Dy'e ken you;" Wick and curl in, "Crack an egg on this;" Raising, "Ca' Canny;" Drawing through the part, "Hand yer han' back;" chip the stones, "Broose up." Each has a stenciled border of curling stones and the whole add to the beauty of the rink. It will pay any who are interested in this sport to call in and see for themselves what the new Thistle rink is like.

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

The following is a copy of the letter and receipt from Mrs. Chas. Jeffreys, Sandy Cove, N. S., acknowledging the money sent by B. A. Lester on behalf of commercial travellers and friends:

SANDY COVE, Dec. 27, '01.
Mr. B. A. Lester,

Dear Sir,
Please accept my heartfelt gratitude to you and other friends who so kindly came to my assistance in my hour of bereavement. My God bless you all. Is my prayer. Wm. D. Long cannot express my feelings.

Sincerely yours,
ANNIE JEFFREY.

Wife of late Chas. Jeffreys.
Received from B. A. Lester the sum of \$69.00 with many thanks.

ANNIE JEFFREY,
Wife of late Chas. Jeffreys.
Sandy Cove, Dec. 27, '01.

BURIED TODAY.

As a last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Capt. James W. Morrill a large number of citizens attended his funeral, which took place at half past two o'clock this afternoon from his late residence, 26 High street. The service, which was most impressive, was conducted at 4 p. m. by the Rev. David Long, and the Victoria Street Free Baptist quartette assisted in the singing. The casket was covered with beautiful floral tributes from the family and friends of the deceased, among them being a crescent from the officers and members of L. O. L. No. 2. Many of the members of this and other lodges walked in the procession. Internment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

MINISTER'S MEETING.

The Methodist ministers met this morning. Rev. T. J. Deinstadt in the chair. There were present also Revs. G. Steel, Dr. Wilson, R. W. Weddall, G. M. Campbell, C. Comben, O. Gronlund, J. M. Rive, G. A. Sellar, and H. E. Thomas of Campbellton. Reports of churches were received. Mr. Thomas gave a brief report of his work at Campbellton. A very interesting and profitable discussion then took place respecting the holding of classes, and other church work in connection with English Methodism. The discussion was opened by Rev. Mr. Comben, who has recently returned from England. Rev. Mr. Gronlund spoke briefly of church work in the west.

POLICE COURT.

Only one drunk, a young man, who by his conduct, had made himself noticeable on Charlotte street on Saturday night, appeared before the magistrate this morning. Preponderance of individuality is often a hindrance to freedom, and the truth of this was shown to the prisoner who sat sobbing on the bench today. He was fined eight dollars, but an arrangement was made with the prisoner's principal creditor whereby an offer of fifty cents on the dollar was accepted.

Roy Wilson was arrested on Saturday on a warrant sworn out by J. B. Hamm, charging him with stealing a valuable Skye terrier. The prisoner told a pitiful tale of a sick wife and other troubles, and later, at the request of the complainant, was released.

RECENT DEATHS.

The death is reported of Duncan Whitney, one of the old residents of Milford, which occurred yesterday at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. E. A. Grafman, Pleasant Point. Mr. Whitney was a native of Oldtown, Me., and was sixty-nine years of age. His body was taken on this morning's train to Oldtown, where internment will be made.

Fred E. Morris, son of the late Michael Morris, died at his home at Milford, Kings Co., on Saturday. He was twenty-two years of age and had been ill for quite a long time. Death was due to consumption. His funeral will take place tomorrow at one o'clock to the cemetery at Chapel Grove.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Programme for the Meetings Which Commence Next Sunday.

Following is the revised programme for the week of prayer beginning next Sunday:

Sunday, January 5th.—Sermons: Christ Jesus the Head: Our One Prophet, Priest and King.

Monday—Subject: The Church Universal.—Col. II: 91. 1 Cor. XII: 12-31. Phil. III: 12-31. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall. Leader, W. C. Whittaker. 8 p. m.—Coburg street Christian church—Leader, Rev. G. N. Stevenson; speaker, Rev. G. A. Sellar. Free Baptist church, west end—Leader, Rev. Dr. Hartley; speaker, Rev. J. Burgess. 8 p. m.—St. Luke's church—Subject: Confession and Thanksgiving. Leader, Rev. J. C. B. Appel; speaker, Rev. A. White.

Tuesday—Subject: Christendom — 1 Pet. IV: 7-19. Matt. XIII: 34-52. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall; leader, J. S. Tichenor. 8 p. m.—St. John Presbyterian church; leader, Rev. Dr. Fotheringham; speaker, Rev. J. A. Richardson. Baptist church, west end—Leader, Rev. B. N. Nobles; speaker, Rev. H. Penna. 8 p. m.—Free Baptist church, Victoria street—Subject: Families and Schools; and that the Young may be Led to Christ. Leader, Rev. R. P. McKim; speaker, Rev. J. C. B. Appel.

Wednesday—Subject: Nations and Their Rulers.—Ps. II; Matt. XXIV: 4-14; Rom. XIII. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall—Leader, C. E. MacMichael. 8 p. m.—Queen square Methodist—Leader, Rev. R. W. Weddall; speaker, Rev. R. R. Morson. Methodist church, west side—Bible Society meeting. 8 p. m.—Main street Baptist church—Subject: Church Universal—Leader, Rev. Geo. Steel; speaker, Rev. A. H. Foster.

Thursday—Subject: The Bible in the Home and for the World.—Job. I: 7-9; 2 Tim. III: 14-17. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall—Leader, H. C. Tilley. 8 p. m.—St. Andrews church—Bible Society anniversary. Presbyterian church, west side—Leader, Rev. J. Burgess; speaker, Rev. Dr. Hartley. 8 p. m.—Christian church, Douglas avenue—Leader, Rev. A. H. Foster; speaker, Rev. Geo. Steel. 3 p. m.—United meeting of Women's Missionary societies in Gormain street Baptist church—Leader, Mrs. John H. Thomson.

Friday—Subject: Non-Christian Races and the Jews.—Luke I: 76-79; Acts. I: 8; Mat. XXVIII: 18-20. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall—Leader, T. S. Simms. 8 p. m.—Centenary Methodist church—Leader, Rev. G. M. Campbell; speaker, Rev. Dr. Morison. Methodist church, west side—Leader, Rev. H. Penna; speaker, Rev. B. N. Nobles. 8 p. m.—Portland Methodist church—Subject: Foreign Missions. Leader, Rev. D. Long; speaker, Rev. R. P. McKim.

Saturday—Subject: Families, Colleges, Schools.—Eph. V: 21; vi: 10; Col. III: 17-19. Noon meeting (12 to 1) in Y. M. C. A. hall—Leader, Wm. M. Kingston. 8 p. m.—Gormain street Baptist church—Leader, Rev. J. D. Farnham; speaker, Rev. W. Weddall. 8 p. m.—St. Matthew's Presbyterian church (Douglas avenue)—Subject: Our Own Land. Leader, Rev. A. White; speaker, Rev. D. Long.

LUMBERMEN EXERCISED.

Over the Probable Fate of Seven Million Feet of Logs.

Lumbermen and millowners are somewhat exercised over the probable fate of the 7,000,000 odd feet of lumber now in danger near Fredericton, and are dreading the word should come that the prevailing rainstorm is causing the ice to run out of the river, with the consequent result of an almost total loss of the logs now jammed up there.

Some weeks ago during a thaw and heavy rainstorm this lumber, which it had been found impossible either to bring down on account of the lowness of the water, or to put in safety because of the rapid formation of the ice, came down from the upper waters with the ice which ran out during the storm. These logs are owned by almost every operator along the river, and are valued at from \$20,000 to \$80,000. They came down as far as Fredericton, where, on account of the heavy ice which did not break up and run out, they were jammed. In this condition they have remained ever since.

Following upon the last storm which broke up the ice, came a rapid rise in the water of the river, and this made the saving of the logs almost an impossibility. Several attempts were made, but the work was found to be impracticable, and during the last ten days almost nothing has been done. A gang of men have been in readiness in case conditions became favorable, but with the present state of the river and weather the chances for holding the logs back are by no means good. In fact it is practically certain that should the present rain break up the ice, the whole of the logs now at Fredericton will be carried down, and with the exception of some that may be picked up along the river, will be carried out to sea.

COTTON MILLS.

Turned Out the First Finished Product Today.

This afternoon the first finished product of the cotton mills are being turned out. They consist of bundle yarn, denim, and flannelette, and from this time on the quantities of manufactured goods will steadily increase until the full capacity of both mills is reached.

In the Cornwall mill every branch is in operation to a certain extent, and additional machines are coming into use every day, the latest ones started being in the weaving room, which finish the goods now being turned out.

In the York mill on account of an accident to the engine the work has been considerably delayed, but repairs are being rapidly completed, and it is expected that steam will be turned on tomorrow evening.

Up to the present between 140 and 150 hands have been engaged, and as the different machines are put in operation this number is being every day increased.

DYKEMAN'S

Three Entrances 97 King, 59 Charlotte and 6 South Market Streets.

WATERPROOFS.

We have just opened our spring Waterproofs, and the styles are the very newest. Cravenette and rubber lined goods in three quarter or full length, in prices that will suit if the garment will, and we are quite sure that you will be pleased with this stock.

At \$4.50—Rubber lined coat, in fawn, blue and black. A splendid garment at this price.

At \$6.00—Double-breasted rubber lined coat, made with latest style back, in blue, black and fawn, and grey.

At \$8.00—Double-breasted, rubber lined coat, in blue and black. Velvet collar, new back, guaranteed thoroughly waterproof and perfect fitting.

At \$9.50—A Cravenette double-breasted coat in black, grey and fawn. Made in the very newest style, velvet collar and guaranteed to be thoroughly waterproof.

At \$10.55—Three-quarter coat, prettily trimmed with stitching, well made, and is considered a very natty garment.

Other prices in Waterproofs up to \$13.50.

F. A. Dykeman & Co.

New Fresh Stock Cereals.

QUAKER OATS,

PETTIJOHN FOOD,

MALT BREAKFAST FOOD,

ROLLED WHEAT.

Wholesale Only. H. F. FINLEY Dock Street.
(Successor to Joseph Finley.)

Light Shoes, Warm Overshoes

Some people don't like to wear a heavy shoe at any time. We are in the business to sell the kind of foot-wear you want.

For good warm winter comfort, we recommend for "light-shoe" wearers a fleece-lined, jersey cloth, fellows front overshoe, one or more buckles. We have some beauties, good strong rubber, one pair will wear a whole season. Both men's and ladies' in all styles at all prices.

PHILLIPS BROS., 541 Main St.

DINNER SETS,

From \$5.50 Up.

C. F. BROWN, 501-505 Main St.

Yes!

The largest assortment of Pianos, Organs and small musical instruments in the Maritime Provinces is carried by us. We are agents for the "Chickering," "Newcombe," "Mason & Risch," "Gerhard Heintzman" and other PIANOS. "Mason & Hamlin" and "Estey" ORGANS.

The W. H. JOHNSON CO., Ltd., 7 Market Sq.

St. John, N. B., and Halifax, N. S.

Have Your Skates Ground!

Up-to-date grinder and satisfaction guaranteed.

Bicycles Stored, Cleaned and Insured and Nickel Polished for \$2.00.

Ring up 764 and we will send for bicycles or skates.

Canada Cycle and Motor Co., Ltd.,
54 KING STREET.

IN A HORRIBLE CONDITION.

Yesterday there were 500 immigrants in the "European Hotel" at Sand Point, and an appalling condition of affairs existed because of the delay of those responsible for the provision of accommodation in the building. The immigration building and the State of affairs in its proximity ought to be investigated by the board of health. The condition of affairs in that vicinity is as bad if not worse than it was a short time ago.

ORANGES ARE CHEAP.

There is a large sale of oranges this winter, for the crop is a large one, and prices are cheap enough to bring this healthy fruit within the reach of all.

Not only that, but the fruit is of excellent quality this year.

A. L. Goodwin will land on Wednesday 200 barrels of Jamaica oranges, very fine eating, equal to Florida and low in price. He has now landed 200 cases of Valencia's, which are good eating fruit, and cheap enough to retail at 15 to 20 cents per dozen. The low price of oranges had greatly increased the demand for them this winter, and there is no healthier fruit.

The steamer Usher, Capt. Cann, from Cape Town, reached St. John Saturday night. On her way up the Usher fell in with the str. Belfast, bound from Las Palmas for Baltimore, with her propeller broken, and towed her into Bermuda. After coaling, the Usher continued her voyage to St. John.