

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL

THREE LIVES TAKEN BY ASSASSINATIONS IN INDIA, KOREA, RUSSIA

Magistrate Done to Death by Native in Bombay

KOREA'S PREMIER

Vi Fatally Stabbed by Youth of Twenty—Chief of Russian Secret Police Lured to Quiet Street and Bomb Exploded.

A remarkable series of assassinations of personages high in office is reported to-day from widely separated points throughout the world.

In Seoul, Korea, the prime minister of the Korean cabinet, was stabbed to death with a dagger as an apparent result of the intense feeling in Korea against Japanese influence.

In St. Petersburg, the chief of the secret police, Col. Karpoff, was blown to pieces by the explosion of a bomb, supposedly thrown by an anarchist.

In Bombay, British India, the chief magistrate of Nazik, Arthur M. T. Jackson, was assassinated by a native for revenge and presumably as a part of the seditious movement against the British official authority. In each of the countries the governing authority is menaced by a dangerous element directed against the existing regime. (Associated Press.)

BATHURST

BATHURST, Dec. 20.—Mr. Fred Veniot, a student at the U. N. B., came from Fredericton on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Veniot.

Mr. Hector Polier is home from the Quebec Seminary. His many friends will regret to learn that his health has not been good, and trust that after a change and rest he may recuperate, and be enabled to resume his studies.

Miss Evelyn Rennie has returned from Campbellton, where she has spent several months visiting her aunt.

Mr. William Gammon is being congratulated, he having been awarded a handsome trophy by the Rostrevor Rifle Association for the highest individual score at a match between Campbellton and Bathurst Clubs. The trophy is in the shape of a shield mounted in silver and nicely engraved.

Mr. Daniel McAllister of Jacquet River was in town this week.

Dr. Fisher of Fredericton was in town a few days recently.

Misses Mollie and Kathleen Sutton came home on Friday from Normal School to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willet have received a lively Christmas gift, a baby girl, and are being congratulated.

Mrs. Devereaux of Petit Rocher, visited relatives here last week.

Examinations and closing exercises were held on Thursday and Friday in the convent schools and in the different departments in the Grammar school. All the exercises were very interesting, and the teachers are all to be congratulated on the great improvement noticeable in the children, proving the lively interest of the teachers. It seems a pity that when the teachers are so indefatigable and so painstaking, that the parents and friends of the pupils should not show their appreciation and interest, by attending in large numbers such closing exercises in the different classes.

Dr. R. G. and Mrs. Dunean are moving this week into their handsome and cosy new home on Douglas Street.

Miss M. Hall has returned from Normal School.

Mr. Joseph Henderson was in Newcastle last week.

Mrs. J. Morrison returns this week from a visit to friends in Montreal.

The photographs of the actress and singer, Mile Polaire, show her possessed of a waist that might be spanned by the thumb and finger of a man's hand. It is a very unfashionable size, anyhow.

FREE TRADE UNION SENDS SPEAKERS

Will Let Loose a Flood of Oratory on Monday Next; Lull for Christmas

PROPOSED REFORMS

In House of Lords Occupy Attention Now—Lord Curzon's Scheme to Reduce House to 400 and Have Certain Conditions to be met first.

London, Dec. 23.—The Liberals are preparing to meet their opponents at every point in the campaign that will be resumed with unexampled vigor after Christmas. It is announced today that the Free Trade Union will dispatch 800 speakers next Monday in an organized campaign throughout the country.

These will combat the vague tariff reform programme of the Conservative and appeal to the people to stand by the trade policy of the government. Their opponents are somewhat handicapped for the lack of a definite tariff policy and speakers able to present it in attractive form.

Wolves are said to kill a hundred times more deer than the hunters and don't empty nearly so many bottles in the process.

Why are only two sizes of rubbers sold, viz: (1), those that are too tight to get on, and (2), those that are too loose to stay on.

The Toronto papers declare that Mrs. Pankurst is the mildest-annexed lady that ever tackled a policeman or leaved 'arf a brick.

Buctouche Man Has Close Call

W. H. Irving Struck by Engine of Maritime Express at Moncton and hurled from Track

HAD A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 22.—While W. H. Irving, of Buctouche, was walking on the track near Main street, crossing en route to the depot to take the train for Loggieville, where his wife is visiting, he was struck by the Maritime express and knocked from the track, but fortunately escaped serious injury.

He was walking with his brother and hearing the train coming he stepped across on the opposite track as he supposed the out of the way of the train, but in this he was mistaken. Fortunately he was just at that side

of the track and being seen by the engineer the train was slowed down, so he was struck lightly by the pilot. Mr. Irving escaped with a slight cut on the elbow leg and back slightly bruised and is expected to be all right in a day or two.

It was a narrow escape, his cap being found on the engine pilot when the train arrived at the station.

A young man named Beck was brought from Canada to the hospital tonight suffering from a cut in the chin, caused by falling on an axe. His injuries are not serious.

ZELAYA'S TROOPS WERE ROUTED BY REVOLUTIONISTS

Washington, Dec. 21.—Zelaya's troops were routed by the Nicaraguan revolutionists today in a fierce battle at Rama, lasting several hours, according to advices received here this afternoon. General Estrada, in command of the revolutionary army, is reported to have been successful all along the line. The battle is to be renewed tomorrow, and the advices declare the Estrada army will bend all efforts to compel the unconditional surrender of the Government forces. There is some doubt as to the exact extent of Estrada's success.

COPENHAGEN PEOPLE WOULD DO THINGS TO DR. COOK.

Copenhagen, Dec. 22.—This city and various towns in the provinces are greatly excited over the Cook fiasco. The attitude of simple faith in Cook's claims has suddenly turned to one of

wrathful indignation. If the so-called Explorer were in Copenhagen today he would surely get a reception decidedly the reverse of the one accorded to him a few months ago, and very likely

SUFFRAGETTES WORRY ASQUITH, INTURN ARE SNOWBALLED

FEAR CHANNEL STEAMER IS LOST

The Rostrevor, Due at Holyhead from Ireland Yesterday

HAD FEW PASSENGERS

Carried a Crew of Twenty-four—Incoming Liners from United States Ports Report Having Encountered Severe Storms on Trip

London, Dec. 22.—Gales in Great Britain have done much damage to shipping. The railway company's steamer Rostrevor, which left Greenore, a headland of Ireland, at 11 o'clock Tuesday night and which was due at Holyhead, Wales, at 5 a. m. Wednesday, a distance of about seventy-five miles across St. George's Channel, has not been reported, and it is feared she has foundered. She carried a crew of twenty-four and a few passengers.

The advantage of attending to the Christmas shopping early cannot be emphasized too strongly. It is better than to leave it to the last—better for those who sell and those who buy. Those who find it convenient to do so should buy early and avoid the anti-Christmas rush.

would receive a thrashing if he fell into the hands of the indignant people.

Experts in polar work are outspoken in condemnation of the man. They consider his conduct toward the University of Copenhagen and the Danish nation as most scandalous. The evening papers denounce him as a swindler.

Bottle Thrown at British Premier at Liverpool

TABLES TURNED

Follow Asquith to Birkenhead and People Drive Them to Seek Police Aid to Get to Train Two Arrests in London

London, Dec. 22.—(Special)—When Prime Minister Asquith drove up to the Reform Club in Liverpool to deliver an address yesterday, a dozen suffragettes, one of whom was disguised as an orange seller, attempted to approach him. The police were too vigilant, however, and frustrated the attempt. Two of the suffragettes were subsequently arrested.

It is alleged that one of them threw a bottle at the prime minister, while another had in her possession a catapult containing pieces of iron.

Later suffragettes themselves were glad to accept police protection. Mr. Asquith went to make a speech in Birkenhead in the evening and the suffragettes followed him. The women tried to make a demonstration outside the hall, but the crowd there snowballed them mercilessly. Other women appealed to the police who conveyed them to the railway station under a torrent of snowballs. They took the first train back to Liverpool.

Personal

[For other Personals see page 2.]
Cyril Creaghan is home from McGill University.

Mr. Jos. Hosford, of Trout Brook was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. J. W. S. Sobey of Protectionville, was in town yesterday.

Miss Jessie McTavish of Cassilis, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Armstrong have returned from a visit to New York.

Miss Lou Reid of Glace Bay, N. S., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. James Stewart.

Miss Annie Bovard of Moncton, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John McCullam.

Mr. Tom Cassidy has returned from Fredericton to spend Christmas at his home here.

Marshall Anderson returned this morning from a two weeks' stay in Boiestown.

Mrs. Edward Wiseman, of Moncton, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McLean.

Miss Mabel McGregor of Harkins Academy is spending her vacation at her home in Cassilis.

Miss Effie Morrison returned this morning from a three months' visit to her sister in Newburyport, Mass.

Mr. T. H. Whalen left for St. John yesterday morning. Mr. Whalen will spend Christmas at his home in Sussex.

Harry, Robert, Wilson and Ruth Wyse of Moncton, spent this week with their grandfather, Henry Wyse.

H. H. Stuart returned this morning from a several days visit to Glace Bay, Dominion, Sydney, and Halifax, N. S. Along with Alex. MacKinnon of Glace Bay he addressed a public meeting in the U. M. W. A. Hall in the Town of Dominion on the evening of the 20th inst.

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CHRISTMAS

Before another issue of The Advo-
 cate shall reach our subscribers,
 Christmas will have come and gone
 and we, therefore, take this opportu-
 nity of wishing everyone many happy
 returns of the day. It is a wise and
 good thing to observe Christmas Day.
 It helps one to feel the supremacy of
 the common life over the individual
 life; and, Hepry Van Dyke says, it re-
 minds a man to set his own little
 watch, now and then, by the great
 clock of humanity which runs on
 sun time.

But, as Van Dyke points out further,
 there is a better thing than the ob-
 servance of Christmas Day, and that
 is keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to forget what you
 have done for other people, and to re-
 member what other people have done
 for you; to ignore what the world
 owes you, and to think what you owe
 the world; to put your rights in the
 background, and your duties in the
 middle distance, and your chances
 to do a little more than your duty
 in the foreground; to see that your
 fellow men are just as real as you
 are, and try to look behind their
 faces to their hearts, hungry for joy;
 to own that probably the only good
 reason for your existence is not what
 you are going to get out of life, but
 what you are going to give to life; to
 close your book of complaints against
 the management of the universe and
 look around you for a place where
 you can sow a few seeds of happiness
 — are you willing to do these things
 even for a day? Then you can keep
 Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and
 consider the needs and the desires of
 little children; to remember the weak-
 ness and loneliness of people who are
 growing old; to stop asking how much
 your friends love you, and ask your-
 self whether you love them enough; to
 bear in mind the things that other

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people have to bear on their hearts,
 to trim your lamp so that it will give
 more light and less smoke, and to
 carry it in front so that your shadow
 will fall behind you; to make a grave
 for your ugly thought, and a garden
 for your kindly feelings, with the gate
 open — are you willing to do these
 things even for a day? Then you can
 keep Christmas.

Are you willing to believe that love
 is the strongest thing in the world —
 stronger than hate, stronger than evil,
 stronger than death — and that the
 blessed life which began in Bethlehem
 nineteen hundred years ago is the
 image and brightness of the Eternal
 Love? Then you can keep Christmas.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

by local applications, as they cannot
 reach the diseased portion of the ear.
 There is only one way to cure deaf-
 ness, and that is by constitutional
 remedies. Deafness is caused by an
 inflamed condition of the mucous lin-
 ing of the Eustachian Tube. When
 this tube is inflamed you have a rum-
 bling sound or imperfect hearing, and
 when it is entirely closed, Deafness is
 the result, and unless the inflamma-
 tion can be taken out and this tube
 restored to its normal condition, hear-
 ing will be destroyed forever; nine
 cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh,
 which is nothing but an inflamed con-
 dition of the mucous surfaces.

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 catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's
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 Take Hall's Family Pills for consti-
 pation.

WAKE UP NEW BRUNSWICK

THE EDITOR OF UNION ADVOCATE.

SIR:
 Permit me to draw your atten-
 tion to what I consider a most back-
 ward state of affairs in this commu-
 nity and one which should be remedied
 without delay. At present there is
 only a tri-weekly mail service between
 Newcastle and Redbank a distance of
 fourteen miles and including seven
 settlements where as it would be an
 easy matter to have a daily mail ser-
 vice and keep in touch with what is
 doing in the rest of our Dominion to
 say nothing of the remainder of the
 world. I think any place where one
 cannot get a Daily Paper to learn
 what is doing in our House of Parlia-
 ment besides keeping posted in the
 various markets and general news of
 the world is a splendid place to pack
 up traps and leave, and I am not sur-
 prised that so many young men have
 left the Province and that others are
 thinking of doing the same. A news-
 paper is a great means of education
 and ought to be seen in every home.
 Then the merchants and tailors are
 hampered and cannot take advantage
 of the markets as they could if they
 were in close touch with the outside
 world and all this because for six
 months the communities are cut off
 and isolated, more like esquimaux than
 enterprising Canadians. I hear there
 is wide-spread dissatisfaction over this
 state of affairs in several quarters but
 action is what is wanted and not sim-
 ply grumbling. I think all that is re-
 quired is to point out this matter to the
 Member representing the County and
 it will be remedied at once.

MERCHANT.

The hook worm develops
 sleepiness and incapacity for
 work. Now if they could only
 sneak a few into the gas and elec-
 tric light meters.

In the course of his aeronautical ex-
 periments M. Bleriot has met with
 fifty accidents.

A TRIP TO ALASKA

A trip to Alaska is one seldom un-
 dertaken by people in the British Isles,
 and of the many bookings undertaken
 by the Grand Trunk Railway officials
 in London, few tickets show the destina-
 tion to be that part far north of
 Canada, where coal and gold, together
 with meteorological observations, are
 often supposed to be the chief reason
 for the existence of that land. That
 such a trip can be made with little out-
 of the ordinary fatigue of travelling is
 well proved by a recent communi-
 cation sent to Mr. Fred C. Salter, Euro-
 pean Traffic Manager of the Grand
 Trunk Railway from Mr. Bromley
 Challenger, F.R.G.S., who has just re-
 turned from the north-western limit of
 the North American Continent. The
 letter has an added interest by reason
 of the fact that on the day of the of-
 ficial opening of the Grand Trunk Rail-
 way's new offices at 17-19 Cookspur
 Street, S. W., Mr. Challenger was the
 first person to book a passage with the
 Company for Canada. On Dominion
 Day (July 1st) the trip was planned and
 provision made for the journey, and,
 in the first week in October, back in
 England again, the well-known geo-
 grapher has been pleased to write to
 the Grand Trunk offices expressing his
 entire satisfaction with the easy
 way in which the journey was accom-
 plished. After thanking the railway
 officials for making his means of trans-
 portation pleasant and comfortable,
 he says: "I was very pleased, indeed,
 with both the road and rolling stock of
 your Company, and in my opinion
 it is second to none on the Continent
 of America. The arrangements you
 made for me very much added to my
 comfort and enabled me to reach my
 destination in the quickest possible
 time, and I must say I experienced
 the greatest civility from the Com-
 pan's staff during my passage on your
 road. The route you worked out for
 me was a most interesting one, and
 coming back as I did, over the Rockies
 and the Great Lakes, I did not travel
 over a single mile a second time except
 the short run between Sarnia and
 Toronto. Will you be good enough
 to send me particulars of your 'Round
 the World Tours.' I am thinking that
 next spring I may have another run
 out to the West, and if I do, I should
 like to return home via the East."

Mrs. Josephine C. Perry, a widow
 at Harwich, Conn., has a flock of
 what are known as 'religious fowl',
 and which answer to only call. When
 Mrs. Perry wishes to feed her flock
 she gathers them together by sing-
 ing or whistling a familiar hymn,
 "Come Ye Strangers Poor and Needy,"
 and every bird of the place comes
 running.

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Personal.

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Miss Edith MacLean, daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry MacLean has af-
 ter an absence of two years, returned
 from Brandon, Man.

Wm. Flannery, superintendent of
 construction work on the Drummond
 wharves, left this morning to spend
 Christmas at his home in Breckin-
 Ontario.

Miss Jean Aitken, who for the last
 year had been visiting her sister, Mrs.
 Dr. Horatio Walker of Los Angeles,
 came home this week. En route she
 visited her brother Max in Montreal.

Misses Gertrude Clarke, of Sackville
 Ladies' College; Jean Robinson and
 Bertie Ferguson of the Halifax Ladies'
 College; Nan Creaghan of Charlotte-
 ton; and Julia Major, Ida Gillis and
 Katie Donovan, from Normal School,
 are home for the Christmas vacation.

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THE net proceeds from stamps sold
 will be used for the extension of
 the work of the Muskoka Free
 Hospital for Consumptives. The avail-
 able beds were trebled as the result
 of last year's Stamp Campaign.

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 nished and stamps mailed promptly on
 receipt of order.

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Available Beds in the Muskoka Free Hospital for
 Consumptives Increased Three-Fold as a Result of
 Last Year's Sale of Christmas Stamps. The Number
 Can Be Doubled This Year If Everyone Will Help.



STIMULATED by the success of a
 year ago the National
 Sanitarium Associa-
 tion have made large
 preparations for the
 sale of the Christmas
 Stamp of 1909-10, is-
 sued on behalf of the
 Muskoka Free Hos-
 pital for Consump-
 tives.

Nearly \$5,000.00 was netted from
 last year's sale, making it possible for
 the trustees to increase the available
 beds for needy patients from an aver-
 age of fifty-five a year ago to one
 hundred and forty, the accommodation
 today.

The trustees are hopeful that they
 may bring the accommodation up to
 300 beds as the outcome of this year's
 sale of this little one cent messenger
 of hope and healing.

The Christmas Stamp, as a means of
 fighting the dread white plague, had
 its origin in Denmark in 1894, the sale
 from which has financed a hospital for
 consumptives in that country. The
 idea was taken up by the Red Cross
 Society of the United States in 1907,
 and interest has grown each year.

A year ago a Christmas stamp of
 special design was put in circulation
 by the Muskoka Free Hospital for
 Consumptives with the success already
 indicated in this article.

The price of the individual stamp is
 only one cent, but what wonderful
 things can be accomplished by so tiny
 an instrument. There is no reason
 why everyone who writes a letter,
 addresses a postcard, mails a news-
 paper or parcel from this day out
 should not use one of these stamps.

The educational value of the stamp
 appearing on every piece of mail mat-
 ter would be enormous. One can
 hardly figure up the material results
 it would mean a routing of the enemy

Tuberculosis that would bring hope
 and joy and gladness to thousands of
 homes and communities in all parts of
 Canada.

The stamp of 1909 is more beautiful
 than that of a year ago. The design
 is as shown in this article, but printed
 in red and green, and is of same size
 as the regular government postage
 stamp.

This Christmas stamp will not carry
 any kind of mail, but any kind of mail
 will carry it — and carry too the happy
 Season's Greetings from sender to re-
 ceiver. The stamps will be done up in
 envelopes of ten, twenty-five, fifty and
 one hundred for ordinary selling, and
 large users will be supplied in quan-
 tities. The price for ten or for one
 thousand is a cent each.

The banks, departmental stores,
 drug stores, book and stationery
 stores and many other stores will sell
 them. Women's clubs, church organ-
 izations, bible classes and Sunday
 schools, public schools, and many
 other organizations and individuals
 will help this year as last year.

There would seem to be no reason
 why everybody everywhere may not
 help in forming an army of willing
 workers to sell these stamps all over
 the Dominion. The Muskoka Free
 Hospital for Consumptives is in the
 fullest sense a national institution
 caring for patients from every pro-
 vince in Canada.

The first issue of the stamp for this
 year is one million, and these will be
 put into circulation immediately, but
 there can hardly be any reason why
 the issue should not be increased
 many times over before Christmas.

The direction of the sale of Christ-
 mas Stamps is in the hands of Mr. J.
 S. Robertson, Sec.-Treasurer, National
 Sanitarium Association, 347 King
 Street, West, Toronto, who will give
 prompt reply to any enquiries regard-
 ing the stamp.

To All Our Friends
 and Patrons we wish
 A Merry Christmas
 and Happy New Year.

H. WILLISTON & Co.,
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Call on the...
 The...
 is the best...

Local and Provincial

NEWS SIDING
 Workmen are engaged putting a new siding at...
 ...

CALENDAR RECEIVED
 The Advocate has received a beautiful calendar from the Miramichi Hotel.

HEAVY SNOW
 Lumbermen report snow to be three feet deep in the woods. This will interfere with the lumber output.

TO SEE SANTA CLAUS
 Many passengers came to Newcastle yesterday and to-day to see Santa Claus and take presents home to the little ones.

MANY PASSENGERS
 The trains from Fredericton to Loggieville Wednesday and Thursday, were crowded with passengers, many men returning from the woods to spend Christmas at their homes.

REPAIRING BRIDGE
 A large number of men are employed on the working train, loading stone at the Indiantown quarry. The stone is being used to repair the I. C. R. bridge on the main river at Blackville.

DEATH OF MRS. WM. ALBERTON
 News was received to-day of the death at her home in Jacksonville, Carleton county, of Mrs. Wm. Alberton, a sister of the late Sir S. L. Tilley. Mrs. Alberton on the 8th of this month celebrated her 90th birthday. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. T. B. Hanington, of this city, and Mrs. Harrison, wife of Rev. George Harrison, of Quebec, also by a large family of children and grand children. Mrs. Alberton for the past twenty years has made her home with her son-in-law, Mr. Samuel Harper, at Jacksonville. She is remembered by a few of the older citizens of St. John, but in the section where she lived Mrs. Alberton was held in the highest esteem.—Globe.

WANTED AT ONCE
 A Young Lady to collect for Union Advocate, town work only. Apply at Office.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE
 There will be service on Christmas Day in St. Peter's Church, Derby, at 10.30; and in Trinity Church, Blackville, at 7.30.

HANDSOME CARD
 The Advocate has received from the Morning Chronicle, Halifax, a very handsome card containing the seasons greetings and a poem by the late Hon. Joseph Howe, one time editor of that paper.

O. ERA HOUSE, DEC. 30
 All should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing Miss Hessian in her farewell recital at the Opera House Dec. 30, 1909. Miss Gunn leaves the first of the new year for Montreal where she has accepted a position as soloist soprano in the St. Andrews church of Scotland. This may be the last chance the people of Newcastle will have of hearing her for some time.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
 On Sunday next, Dec. 26th, special Xmas services will be held in the United Baptist Church, Newcastle. The Rev. Dr. Cousins, pastor, will preach both morning and evening. The singing of special hymns and carols by the choir and Sunday School scholars will be an interesting feature at all the services. A children's service will be held in the afternoon at 3 o'clock to which parents and friends are cordially invited. On Tuesday evening, 28th, a children's entertainment and Xmas tree will be provided for the Sunday School at the Temperance Hall, to which all friends will be heartily welcomed, admission, free. Collection from adults at the door. Do not fail to come early and bring your friends.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE
 In St. Mary's Church the usual Christmas Eve, will be at 11.30 a.m. At both services Christmas music will be rendered. Vespers will be sung at 7 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S
 On Christmas Day Holy Communion will be at 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Holy Communion at 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Christmas hymns will be sung.

RESIGNS FROM STANDARD
 Mr. James H. Crockett, managing director of the Standard, has resigned. Mr. Crockett has gone to Fredericton and will devote his whole time to the Fredericton Gleaner.

TWO FINE CLYDESDALES
 The Provincial government will keep in New Brunswick the two Clydesdale stallions, "Ace of Spades" and "Southwick" recently imported. They are at St. John West.

LIEUT. GOVERNOR'S MEDAL
 The Lieut.-Governor's medal for general excellency in Grade VIII in the county of Northumberland won by Miss Nellie Stothart of Chatham, was presented to her at the Grammar school last week.

TEACHER WANTED
 Teacher wanted for the Eel Ground Indian school for next term. Must be qualified. Salary \$300. Apply, stating qualifications to R. E. Irving Indian Superintendent, Bouctouche, N. B., Dec. 14. 3wks.

HARD TIMES AT RESERVE
 A resident of the Eel Ground Indian Reserve reports to the ADVOCATE that the Indians will have a hard winter. The smelt fishing has been a failure with them and quite a number of the residents are too old to work in the woods.

NEDEF THE STRONG MAN
 In the Opera House last night the wonderful feats of strength advertised to be done by Nedef, the Syrian wonder, were performed, and the wrestling match between Nedef and Macdonald resulted in a victory for the former.

RECITAL IN OPERA HOUSE
 The recital to be given by Miss Gunn in the Opera House Dec. 31st, promises to be a success. Mr. Wadsworth Harris will assist Miss Gunn. Read what the Chatham World has to say: "Mr. Wadsworth Harris' Recital at the Y. M. C. A. Hall was a great success, financially and artistically. Lieut. Gov. Tweedie introduced Mr. Harris as a dramatic artist of continental reputation. Probably no reader was ever more popular with a Chatham audience."

INDIAN SCHOOL CLOSURES
 The Eel Ground Indian school closed on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays. Miss Mary Isaac of Restigouche, who has been teacher for the past term severs her connection with the school and has returned to her home. The Indians on the reserve regret very much the departure of Miss Isaac, she being able to teach the children in English, French and Micmac, besides acting as organist and choir instructor of the church. Miss Isaac has endeared herself to both old and young and the people hope, if there is no way of inducing her to return that her sister might come and take up the work that has been so successfully carried on.

SPECIAL FARES
XMAS HOLIDAYS
 The cheap fares prevailing on the Intercolonial Railway for the Christmas and New Year's Holidays ought to prove a boon to those who find it necessary or convenient to travel at this festive season of the year. The regular return rate to Montreal from Newcastle is \$20.65 but from December 21st until January 1st a one way fare will prevail, and on these dates the fare will be \$13.75 good for return until January 3rd, thus effecting a saving of over \$6.00. The fares will be correspondingly low to all other stations on the line. With these low rates and the excellent train service in effect, there ought to be a big rush of holiday travel.

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We have Chatterbox, Chums, and The Child's Own Magazine, in the Annuals.

Here is a partial list of the Books in the regular line:
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SANTA CLAUS IN PORTO RICO.

CHRISTMAS in Spain is a religious festival rather than a social one. It was so originally in Porto Rico, but the population has been influenced partly by the many American merchants who reside in the cities and who exert an influence more potent than the number of churches to persuade.

The churches welcome the day with services which begin at midnight and last until the midnight of the next day. What with one church beginning ten minutes too soon and another ten minutes too late and a third at the right moment, what with bells which ring every fifteen minutes and bell ringers who under some ancient custom will sound the great bells every half hour, the city is filled with music which never ceases to end.

If you are near a campanile the effect is not altogether pleasant on account of the volume of sound striking the ear with too much force, but in a public square several hundred yards from the nearest belfry, where trees



A DAUGHTER PLAYS ON THE GUITAR, and buildings break the sound waves, or in suburbs on the hillside the effect is unspeakably delightful.

Pleasantest of all is it when you are sitting in the inner court or quadrangle of a Porto Rican home. Around you on four sides the house rises above you, and in the grounds or in great tubs and porcelain pots rich flowers, graceful vines and restful trees afford shade, color and perfume. The sound of the bells descends from the air above very much like a benediction. You sit in an easy chair, and servants bring you tea or steaming coffee, sweetmeats and biscuits, confections and cigarettes, while a daughter or son plays ancient songs or dances upon a mandolin or guitar.

The churches are crowded; so are the clubs and most of the places of recreation. Every vehicle is in use, and here and there can be seen young men and women trying to imitate English models. Some of the people of the mountain districts carry out many of their early superstitions in regard to Christmas. They hang over the doors of their houses boughs of trees which are supposed to possess charms and often conduct marriage ceremonies under great canopies made of these charmed trees.

A great many wild flowers are in bloom at Christmastide, and these are worn by children of the mountain districts in wreaths and garlands about their heads, necks and waists. The Christmas giving is sadly missing in our new possessions. The churches hold no Christmas tree, and there are few charitable societies to give feasts. However, one hospital for old people and orphans in Ponce gives a Christmas fete, and the inmates have a good meal and receive warm clothing, medicines and other useful gifts.

The American occupation has brought extra Christmas cheer to the people of the island. The American residents celebrate the day in good American fashion, and, best of all, they put money into circulation and give zest to industry and business.

When Shepherds Watched by Night.

Some historians contend that the shepherds could not have watched by night on the Bethlehem plains in December, it being a period of great inclemency. In answer to this a well known student says: "Bethlehem is not a cold region. The mercury usually stands all the month of December at 46 degrees. Corn is sown during this time, and grass and herbs spring up after the rains, so that the Arabs drive their flocks down from the mountains into the plains. The most delicate never make fires till about the end of November, and some pass the whole winter without them. From these facts I think it is established without doubt that our Saviour was born on the 25th day of December, the day which the church throughout the world has united to celebrate in honor of the coming in the flesh."—Washington Star.

Most Popular Christmas Poem.

Most popular Christmas poem written for children was that famous to the world, beginning: "Twas the night before Christmas, when through the house—"

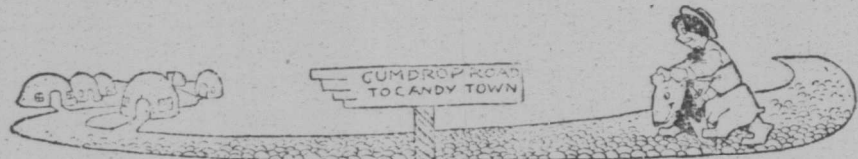
It was written by a very famous man, Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a professor of Greek and Hebrew in the Theological seminary in this city. He was born in 1797 and died in 1863. New York Globe.

THE RIDE TO CANDY TOWN

BY ROBERT DONNELL

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When Charley rode to Candy Town
Aside a Teddy bear,
He looked in wonder up and down
With many a hungry stare,
For all the streets were named for sweets,
And, oh, so many there!



They entered town by Gumdrop road,
Where all the candy shops
Were stuffed as full as any toad
With most delicious drops.
As Charley glanced he almost danced,
While Teddy licked his chops.

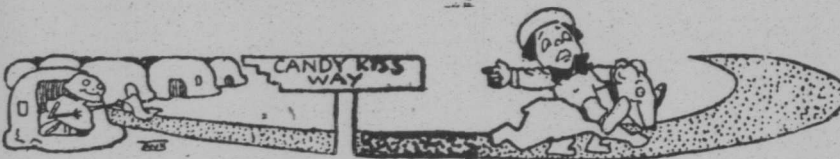
They turned a corner, when,
In view,
Came Chocolate Bonbon
avenue,
Which filled them with
surprise,
For every shop was a chocolate drop
Of most amazing size.



But on they went with even jog,
Since shops are not to eat,
And soon they passed, with
eyes agog,
Through Peanut Brittle street,
And every brick was a peanut
stick
And doubtless very sweet!



But Teddy trotted right ahead
Through Candy Kisses way,
Though Charley pulled his ears and said:
"Hold on a minute—stay!



Lemme get down an' eat this town.
I'll finish up today!"

That Teddy bear plugged straight along
Until he chanced to see,
Surrounded by a merry throng,
A great big Christmas tree.
"Now I can climb and have
a time,"
Says Ted. "Hooray for me!"

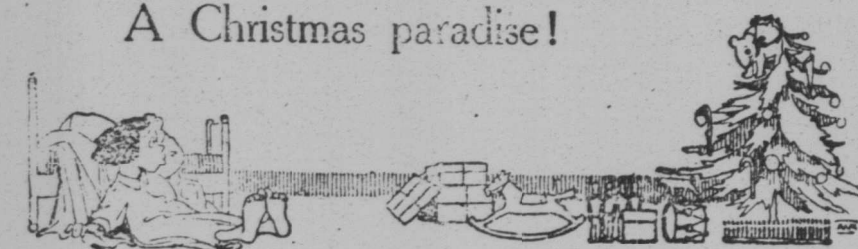


As Teddy started climbing up
His passenger slid down
And struck the bedroom floor kerplup,
And in his nightie gown!
Now, wasn't that a sorry bat
To get in Candy Town?



But, after all, the town was there.
When Charley oped his eyes,
High up the tree was Teddy
bear,

Of real riding size,
And candy sweets from all the streets—
A Christmas paradise!



SANTA AND THE LITTLE MOUSE.

BY FRANK H. SWEET

One Christmas eve when Santa Claus
Came to a child's house
To fill the children's stockings there
He found a little mouse.

"A merry Christmas, little friend,"
Said Santa, good and kind,
"The same to you, sir," said the
mouse.

"I thought you wouldn't mind
"If I should stay
awake tonight
And watch you
for awhile."
"You're very
welcome, little
mouse,"
Said Santa,
with a smile.



And then he
filled the
stockings up
Before the
mouse could
wink—
From toe to top, from top to toe,
There wasn't left a chink.

"Now, they won't hold another
thing,"
Said Santa Claus, with pride.
A twinkle came in mouse's eyes,
But humbly he replied:

"It's not polite
to contradict.
Your pardon I
implore.
But in the full-
est stocking
there
I could put
one thing
more."

"Oh, ho," laugh-
ed Santa, "sil-
ly mouse!
Don't I know
how to pack!
By filling stockings all these years
I should have learned the knack."

And then he took the stocking down
From where it hung so high
And said: "Now put in one thing
more.
I give you leave to try."

The mouse
chuckled to
himself,
And then he
softly stole
Right to the
stocking's
crowded toe
And gnawed a
little hole.



"Now, if you
please, good
Santa Claus,
I've put in one
thing more.
For you will own that little hole
Was not in there before."

How Santa Claus did laugh and
laugh!
And then he gayly spoke,
"Well, you shall have a Christmas
cheese
For that nice little joke."

THE DEAR OLD TREE.
By FRANK H. SWEET.
There's a dear old tree, an evergreen
tree,
And it blossoms once a year.
'Tis loaded with fruit from top to
root,
And it brings to all good cheer.



For its blossoms bright are small
candles white,
And its fruit is dolls and toys,
And they all are free for both you
and me
If we're good little girls and boys.

The Christmas Manger.
In France may be almost universally
seen representations of the manger in
which Christ was born, with figures of
Mary, Joseph and the child Jesus, and
cattle feeding near by.

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