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W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd,  
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EMERSON & FISHER, LTD.,

Extend to their customers and friends everywhere  
heartly thanks for the generous share of business  
extended to them during the past season (the largest  
in their history) and wish one and all—

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS 1907.

Upon the Close of the Largest Year's  
business in our history we wish our many  
Friends and Patrons a Happy and Prosperous  
New Year.

S. THOMAS, Dufferin Block,  
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At Money-Saving Prices  
Price is not the only inducement—quality is just as im-  
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Boys' Overcoats,..... \$3.50 to \$ 8.00  
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A SPECIALTY.  
Thomas J. Flood, 60 King Street,  
Opposite Macaulay Bros.  
Most complete New Stock of High  
Class Art Moulding for Framing  
in Eastern Canada.  
Nothing but the best work turned out of our shop.  
Will Call for Your Picture.  
Telephone 955 A

Stores Closed all day to-day. St. John, Jan. 1st, 1907.

I Wish You All  
A Bright and Happy 1907.

The year that has just closed has been by far the  
best we have yet had. A New Record has been  
made. For this we sincerely thank all those who  
have patronized these Stores so liberally. We have  
endeavored to give the best Clothing, Tailoring and  
Furnishing values that cash could buy. The results  
would prove that in this we have been successful.  
We start the new year with larger stocks, brighter  
prospects, more friends, and with your help we will  
make 1907 even a greater triumph than any previous  
year. I beg to remain  
Your Clother,  
J. N. HARVEY.

CHILDREN VICTIMS  
OF BRUTAL MURDER

Series of Savage Crimes of  
Which Young Man Was  
Once Convicted  
Epileptic Fit on Morning of Execution  
Saved His Life—On Trial  
Again.

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—Another of those  
diabolical criminal cases which periodically  
horror Germany opened today at  
Griefswald, when a young carpenter's  
apprentice, Ludwig Tesnow, was put  
on trial for the second time for the  
murder of four children and the at-  
tempted murder of a servant girl.  
Apart from the inhuman and the re-  
volting nature of his crime, Tesnow's  
case is remarkable from the fact that  
a few minutes before he was to have  
been led to the scaffold and behadoned  
on the morning of October 17, 1902, he  
was seized with an epileptic fit, from  
which it was impossible to arouse him  
for several hours. The execution was  
postponed, and a medical examination  
having revealed traces of insanity,  
Tesnow for over three years has been  
incarcerated in the lunatic department  
of the Baltic prison in order to give  
the authorities an opportunity to de-  
termine his mental responsibility.  
The prisoner presented an emaciated  
appearance in the dock today, and the  
court announced that owing to his re-  
duced physical condition it would be  
necessary to cut short each day's ses-  
sion of the trial. During his imprison-  
ment the prisoner has survived a dan-  
gerous operation in the interior of his  
ear, and a brilliant galaxy of medical  
and scientific experts is assembled at  
Griefswald to give testimony, inas-  
much as it is believed that the prisoner  
committed his crimes in consequence  
of drugged moral senses.

TORTURED SHEEP

Among the charges pending against  
him is one of slaughtering a drove of  
sheep and mutilating their carcasses  
in the same fashion that he dealt with  
the children. Tesnow is further sus-  
pected of murdering a man in Schleswig-  
Holstein in 1897, for which the young  
man has meantime been executed.  
The prisoner's first known crime was  
the murder of two little 7-year-old  
schoolgirls on the shore of a wooded  
woods, near Osenbrück, in Sep-  
tember, 1898. After offering oranges  
to the children, Tesnow dragged them  
far into the forest and murdered them  
in the most horrible manner, after  
wards dissecting the bodies.  
His second crime occurred in July,  
1901, upon the island of Rugen, where  
he attacked two little boys who were  
bowling hoops through the trees, just  
after having left their parents. Tesnow  
mutilated the bodies of the boys,  
who were aged 8 and 6, just as he had  
done those of the two girls three years  
before. The murderer carried away the  
heart of one of his victims. The scientific  
precision with which the bodies  
had been dissected indicated that the  
murderer had used a razor and was  
skilful in wielding it.

PRISONER'S STATEMENT

The prisoner's opening statement was  
confined to telling the story of his life.  
His parents separated early in their  
married life on account of the father's  
drunkenness. After religious contra-  
dition and a carpenter's apprenticeship,  
Tesnow wandered about the country,  
working at many trades in various  
places, including Berlin. While in  
Dresden he claimed to have hit upon  
an invention for a steam engine,  
but later he destroyed the model. Short-  
ly after leaving Dresden he was sent  
to a year's imprisonment for petty  
theft, and on the expiration of his  
term went to Osenbrück, where the  
first murder was committed. He was  
arrested, but was soon released, be-  
cause the evidence was found not to be  
conclusive until the subsequent murder  
at Rugen three years later. The bodies  
he had assaulted and attempted to  
murder a domestic servant at  
Mecklenburg, but he was not prose-  
cuted because the girl could not supply  
an accurate description of her assul-  
tant. Not until after the Rugen murder  
did she recognize Tesnow as the man  
who had attacked her.  
The trial is expected to last many  
days. There will be more than 100 wit-  
nesses, and the court has sworn in two  
emergency juries. The parents of  
Tesnow's four victims are present.  
They wept bitterly when he entered the  
court, and their anguish threatened to  
provoke a violent demonstration  
against the sullen prisoner, for whom  
a special dock had been constructed,  
consisting of a chair, into which he is  
locked.

THEY HELD BRIDGE

AGAINST ALL COMERS  
CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 1.—A panic  
occurred in the main thoroughfare here  
at noon today as the result of the dis-  
orderly action of two soldiers of the  
Imperial Guard, who drew sword-bay-  
onnet and held the bridge connecting  
the populous sections of Galata and  
Sambal. The police were unable to  
arrest the men, owing to the fact that  
they were members of the Imperial  
Guard.

Intense excitement prevailed and  
traffic and business was suspended for  
over an hour. Finally a battalion of  
troops was assembled under a general  
officer and the guardsmen were ar-  
rested upon an order from the Palace.

SAD STORY FROM  
GEORGE'S RIVER

Thos. Dowling Taken to Asylum  
and His Brother Dies  
Next Day.  
Quiet Home Life of Aged Brothers and  
Sister Broken up With Startling  
Suddenness.

NORTH SYDNEY, Dec. 25.—A pa-  
thetic story from George's River,  
where lived in peace and quietness  
for many years two brothers and a  
sister named Dowling, the breaking up  
of whose home life came with startling  
suddenness within the last couple of  
days. On Wednesday the eldest brother,  
Thomas, over fifty years of whose  
life had been spent as a school teacher  
at various places in the United States  
and Nova Scotia, and many years in  
the George's River district, was re-  
moved to the county hospital for the  
insane at Sydney, where he will likely  
spend his declining days. Some time  
ago Dowling, who was a man of quiet  
habits, gave evidence of mental aberra-  
tion, and his actions, although harm-  
less, led his neighbors to believe that  
his mind had become unbalanced, with  
the result that his case was brought to  
the attention of the authorities of the  
district, who had him removed to the  
institution at Sydney, where he would  
be properly cared for. Two hours after  
he was taken from his home, his brother  
Patrick, a man also well advanced  
in years, dropped dead, his sudden de-  
mise evidently having been due to  
some failure brought on by the tak-  
ing away of his elder brother, for  
whom he had a strong affection. With  
Thomas gone to end his days under the  
surveillance of the hospital guards,  
and Patrick cold in death in an ad-  
joining room, there now remained only  
the sister, Catherine, who since last  
Good Friday has been confined to her  
bed a helpless invalid. She, too, has  
long since passed the proverbial three  
score years and ten, and now, when life  
is nearing its close, and when she sorely  
needs the protection and care of  
those most dear to her, reverse fate  
has turned against her. Although de-  
prived of the companionship of her  
brothers, she is surrounded by  
kindly neighbors, several of whom  
have offered to take her into their  
homes and make her declining years  
happy and peaceful as far as their cir-  
cumstances will permit.

WENT SMELT FISHING  
AND WAS DROWNED

Purse of Gold for Rev. A. D. Archibald—  
Richibucto Girls to Train in New  
England Hospital.

REXTON, N. B., Dec. 31.—The funeral  
of Mrs. Thos. Jardine, Sr., was held  
Monday afternoon and was very largely  
attended. Interment was in St. Andrew's  
cemetery. Rev. A. D. Archibald  
conducted the services. The funeral of  
John McNulty was held Tuesday after-  
noon. The remains were interred in St.  
Andrew's cemetery and Rev. A. D.  
Archibald conducted the services.  
The death occurred at St. Charles,  
Sunday, of Joseph Dalgle, aged 23  
years, after a few days' illness of  
pleurisy.  
The death of last week a young man  
named Dalgle was found dead, lying  
on the ice on the Kouchibouguac River,  
by the smelt hole where he had been  
fishing, with his head submerged in the  
water. It is supposed that he had taken  
a fit, to which he was subject, and  
while looking to see if any fish were  
passing had fallen forward and was  
thus drowned.

Saturday evening Rev. A. D. Archi-  
bald was present by his parishioners  
in Richibucto with an address and a  
purse of money.  
Misses Anna Pinney and Sadie  
Hudson, of Richibucto, left this morn-  
ing for Boston to enter the New Eng-  
land Baptist Hospital to train for  
nursing. On Wednesday evening a  
number of their friends called on them  
at the residence of Robert Pinney and  
presented Miss Pinney with a  
beautiful purse with monogram and  
Miss Hudson with an ebony-backed  
brush and comb.  
Mrs. Etta Dickinson and her sister,  
Miss W. D. Dickinson, left this morn-  
ing for Woodstock to visit their brother,  
W. D. Dickinson. Miss Dickinson will  
afterwards proceed to Richmond, N. B.,  
where she will be married to Mr.  
Gove of that place.

RHODES AND MARTIN  
FOUGHT TO A DRAW

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 1.—Billy  
Rhodes, the Kansas City welterweight,  
found his match in Terry Martin of  
Philadelphia last night, for the best he  
could do was to secure a 15 round  
draw. After the fight the principals and  
their seconds came to a Turkish bath  
establishment here, where Rhodes was  
taken sick. It was believed that he  
had sustained a fracture of the skull.  
He was sent to a hospital, where he  
improved considerably. He had a bad  
bruise on one side of his head. Martin  
was held for two hours but was later  
released.

\$43,000,000 GEMS  
IMPORTED IN YEAR

Diamonds Brought from South  
Africa Since 1868 Esti-  
mated at \$1,000,000,000  
Rough Stones of Value of \$11,000,000  
Were Brought Into New York in Last  
Twelve Months for Manufacture

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Upward of  
\$43,000,000 has been paid for diamonds  
and other precious stones imported  
into New York this year, as is shown  
by figures compiled by the customs  
authorities preliminary to their annual  
report to Washington. This total ex-  
ceeds that of the last calendar year by  
\$6,000,000, and that of two years ago  
by \$17,000,000. In 1900 the value was  
about \$25,000,000 and has been paid for  
diamonds by the United States since  
1868, when the first gem was exported  
from the Cape of Good Hope. This  
amount is one-half of what South  
Africa has obtained for its entire sup-  
ply of the stones sold to all parts of  
the world. The figures represent what  
the importers pay, and authorities  
say the public pays twice as much.  
Taking into account the fact that di-  
amonds are about two hundred per cent  
higher than they were eight years ago,  
dealers say the gems brought into this  
country from South Africa in these  
thirty-eight years must now be worth  
more than a billion dollars. Nearly  
all the gems are in existence, as the  
percentage of loss is unimportant.  
That the diamond cutting industry in  
New York is growing is shown by the  
gains in the importation of rough  
stones, the valuation this year being  
about \$11,000,000, the greatest in any  
year since cutters and polishers from  
Antwerp and Amsterdam were brought  
to New York to establish the business.  
The rough stones, of the imports of rough  
stones, about ninety-eight per cent,  
were diamonds. An official of the  
Diamond Manufacturers' Association  
said yesterday that New York cuts  
some of the best grades of rough  
stones as well as most of the work, and  
that the finished gems turned out in  
this city in the larger sizes are of a  
higher average quality than those  
manufactured in any other city. More  
than eighty per cent of the diamonds  
cut here are a carat or more in weight.

CONSTITUTION FOR  
PERSIA SIGNED

Shah Accepts it and the Valiah Places  
His Signature on it.

TEHERAN, Dec. 31.—Early today it  
was reported that the Shah and the  
Valiah had signed the constitution.  
That the former had done so is highly  
probable—first, on account of his  
extreme weakness, and second, accord-  
ing to the Koran it is illegal for a dy-  
ing monarch to affix his signature to  
any public document.  
There was a large gathering of mem-  
bers and the public this afternoon at  
this afternoon at the Slater's hospital  
of typhoid fever. Mrs. Marcure has  
been a resident of Frenchtown for the  
last 19 years, and was one of the re-  
spected residents of that locality. She  
leaves a husband, Ben Marcure, and  
five sons, William, Ubaldo, Joseph,  
Alfred and Paul, and four daughters,  
Alice and Frances of Minneapolis, Mrs.  
Pinsonneault of Frenchtown, Mrs.  
Bridon of Portland and Mrs. Albert  
Marty of Frenchtown. Mrs. Marcure  
was born in New Brunswick, Canada,  
where she leaves a number of rela-  
tives. The body will be shipped to-  
morrow, and will be buried in the  
Catholic church Tuesday morning, Dec. 18.

NEW BRUNSWICK LADY  
DEAD IN MONTANA

MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 16.—Mrs.  
Philen Marcure, aged 41 years, died  
this afternoon at the Slater's hospital  
of typhoid fever. Mrs. Marcure has  
been a resident of Frenchtown for the  
last 19 years, and was one of the re-  
spected residents of that locality. She  
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Catholic church Tuesday morning, Dec. 18.

HIGHER WAGES GRANTED  
TO BUFFALO EMPLOYEES

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The Buffalo  
Dry Dock Company has posted a notice  
in its yards stating that "owing to  
prosperous conditions and the increas-  
ed cost of living," ten per cent in-  
crease will be granted all men rated  
at less than \$2.25 per day, and five per  
cent to all men rated at over \$2.25.  
A general increase will also be made  
on piece work prices to take effect  
January 15 next.

RUSSIA SWEEPED BY  
THE GREAT STORM

Towns in One Section of the  
Empire Almost Buried  
in Snow.  
Party of Unknown Men Tried to Blow  
Up a New Steamer at  
Odessa.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A despatch to a  
news agency from Odessa, published  
today says that a band of unknown  
men made an attempt last night to  
blow up the Steamship Co. Atlan-  
tic liner Gregory Moreh, which has  
just completed her first trip in the  
New Odessa-New York service. A  
desperate struggle followed between  
the crew and the members of the  
band, during which several sailors  
were shot. The lighted fuse of a  
bomb was extinguished before any  
damage was done.  
ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 1.—The  
storm which passed over Great Britain  
at Christmas time reached Western  
Russia, where enormous falls of snow  
are reported, and railroad communica-  
tions are paralyzed, many of the lines  
being entirely interrupted. Despatches  
from Orsha and Borisov say those  
towns are literally buried in drifts  
and all business is suspended. Seven  
persons have perished in the snow  
which has reached a seven foot level at  
Mouhivandis, causing much suffering.  
The snow storm continues.

MORE MONEY FOR THE  
HARBOR FISHERIES

A Slight Increase Over Last Year's Sales  
—Navy Island the Popular  
Place.

The annual harbor fishery sales took  
place in the court house this morning  
with P. L. Potts as the auctioneer.  
There were many fishermen present,  
and the bidding was brisk for choice  
positions.  
The Navy Island Privileges were the  
choicest, and there was a considerable  
increase over last year, also an in-  
crease for the diving bell between  
from last year. The sale was a success  
on the whole, as today it netted  
\$4,213.75 against \$4,118.75 for last year,  
the increase being \$94.99 for this year.

WELCOME TO EVERYONE  
AT THE WHITE HOUSE

New Years Reception Brings Many  
Visitors.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Each year  
the White House doors swing open to  
all the nation on January 1st, and a  
heartier welcome was never extended  
to visitors than that which greeted the  
crowds who called today. New Year's  
cheer banished rank and class distinc-  
tions. The president met ambassa-  
dors and laborers with the same firm  
handshake.  
While the Marine band played patriot-  
ic airs the great throng moved  
slowly through the mansion. The  
diplomatic corps, the judiciary, the  
army, the navy and civilian officials  
in the various departments, were re-  
ceived first and then came the thou-  
sands of citizens who had been stand-  
ing in line for hours.  
Heading the diplomats was Baron  
Mayor Des Planches, ambassador from  
Italy, the dean of the corps, King  
Edward was represented by Esme  
Howard, Charge d'Affaires.

THE LARGEST LUMBER  
PORT IN THE WORLD

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The Ton-  
awanda north and south ports are now  
the largest lumber market in the  
world. The official report of the lum-  
ber market in the world. The official  
report of the lumber receipts at Chi-  
cago, their only rival, for the season  
just closed, shows that 354,399,000 feet  
of stock were received here, while at  
the Tonawanda the receipts exceeded  
442,000,000 feet.

SWISS CLAIMS CURE  
FOR SPOTTED FEVER

GENEVA, Dec. 31.—Prof. Koller, of  
Bern University, in collaboration with  
Prof. Wasserman, of Berlin, has dis-  
covered a serum cure for cerebro-  
spinal meningitis (spotted fever), a  
acute stages. Prof. Koller com-  
municated his discovery last night to  
a meeting of the Medical Society of  
Bern. He gave examples of com-  
plete cures. After injection of the  
serum, he stated, the patient's fever  
ceased almost instantly, and recovery  
followed within a fortnight.

ODDFELLOWS HOLD  
ANNUAL REUNION

Large Attendance at Regular  
New Years Gathering.  
Speeches Made by Men Prominent in the  
Order—Look Forward to a  
Prosperous Year.

The annual New Year's Day re-  
union of the different lodges of the  
Independent Order of Oddfellows was  
held this morning in the hall on  
Simonds street. A large number were  
present and the meeting was an in-  
teresting one, many instructive ad-  
dresses being made.  
The meeting opened at 10.30 o'clock,  
Deputy District Grand Master Segoe  
presiding. An ode was sung after  
which Mr. Segoe delivered an address  
of welcome. He spoke at some length  
on the tending of the order today, and  
went back to the time when the Odd-  
fellows were not in as flourishing a  
condition as they are now. He was  
glad that a large number had attended  
the meeting, as it showed that all were  
taking an interest in the order. He  
hoped that all those present would be  
at the reunion next year.  
Mr. Segoe was glad to note that the  
different lodges in this city were in  
good condition. The membership of the  
order was good and the lodges all re-  
port themselves to be on a fine finan-  
cial basis.  
Recorder Skinner was the next  
speaker. He chose education as his  
subject and referred to the recent an-  
nouncement that John D. Rockefeller  
had left a large sum of money to a  
college in the States, and that college  
no doubt would benefit greatly. But to  
have success an organization needs not  
be left a pile of money. Brotherhood  
and friendliness is worth as much.  
The recorder spoke highly of the Odd-  
fellows of St. John and closed by wish-  
ing the order a prosperous year.  
Other speakers were W. Frank  
Hathaway, Jeremiah Thompson, Rev.  
Gordon Dickie, M. D., Brown, J. E.  
Beattie and H. E. Codner.  
Mr. Hathaway spoke of the good  
standing of the order and hoped that  
the ensuing year would be a successful  
one.  
The other gentlemen spoke along the  
same lines.  
John Bennett and Mr. Dismart gave  
vocal solos. The meeting broke up  
shortly after 12 o'clock, and after  
those present had exchanged the sea-  
son's greetings, they left the hall.

CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN  
WEDDING TODAY

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White at Home  
to Their Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White are to-  
day celebrating their golden wedding.  
This afternoon Mr. and Mrs. White  
are receiving their friends at the  
home, 216 St. James street. Tonight  
family reunion will be held. Mr. and  
Mrs. White are two of the best know  
residents of St. John. They were mar-  
ried in this city on Jan. 1st, 1857, by  
Rev. Mr. Battersell. Mr. White was  
born in Glasgow, Scot., on May 22,  
1832, and came to this country in 1848.  
Mr. White carried on a large confection-  
ery business here for years, and  
retired from active life about three  
years ago.  
Mrs. White was formerly Miss Char-  
lotte E. Armstrong, daughter of the  
late John Armstrong, who came to  
Canada from Ireland.

FIVE NEW YEARS  
PRISONERS IN J

There was no police court this  
morning owing to the holiday, but  
police station cells contained five  
prisoners. There were three drunk  
Charles Paterson was arrested  
early this morning on the charge  
of being an habitual frequer.  
Amelia Francis' house of ill-repute,  
Sheffield street.  
A man named Francis will be  
charged with the charge of profane-  
ness and breaking a window in  
Salvation Army shelter. These pris-  
ers will be dealt with tomorrow  
morning.  
The police were called on board the  
schooner Lady of Avon at Gibbon's  
wharf last night, having been in-  
formed by a sailor that a shipment had  
his tobacco and some clothing. A  
search was made of the supposed ship-  
ment but as nothing was found  
further action was taken in the  
matter.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

LOST—Between Public Library  
Fort Howe by way of North, Bond  
Main street, lady's summett was  
found. Will be rewarded upon return  
to CHARLES M. LINGLEY, 14 Co-  
lumbury street. 1-1-0  
LOST—Between St. Luke's church  
and King street, on 30th inst., a  
pocket watch with brilliant setting. Finder  
will be rewarded on leaving at this office.  
LOST—Dec. 31st, Mink Tie, on  
Patrick street. Finder please re-  
turn to 2 Charles street. 1-1-0



# Happy New Year!

Old Year, farewell! 1906 will see its last day today. Its sands are full run. It has slipped into the vista of the past, bearing with it our joys, hopes and fears, pleasures and profit, loss and gain—burying them all in the sepulchre of Time. Farewell, Old Year, Farewell. But—Hark!

"Ring out the old, Ring in the new—  
Ring out the false, ring in the true."

And so we say to our many, many friends

## A Happy, Happy New Year

And here's hoping, 1907 may have naught but happiness in store for you.

# Our Great Two-Week Overcoat Sale

IS NOW ON.

PRICES CANNOT BE DUPLICATED. This is the time of year when we give our profit to our customers. OVERCOAT PRICES DOWN TO SKELETON FIGURES.

Here's a little idea of what we are doing during this great Two-Week Overcoat Sale:

|                        |         |                           |         |
|------------------------|---------|---------------------------|---------|
| \$ 7.50 Overcoats for  | \$ 5.00 | \$ 8 & \$8.50 Overcoats,  | \$ 5.90 |
| 9.00 & \$10 Overcoats, | 6.90    | 11 Overcoats for          | 7.90    |
| 12.00 Overcoats for    | 8.90    | 13 Overcoats for          | 9.90    |
| 14.00 Overcoats for    | 10.90   | 15 and \$16 Overcoats for | 11.90   |

Hundreds of men should be wearing our Overcoats for the New Year. The season for saving is now. Come, see how well we back our ads. with our prices.

# Union Clothing Company,

26 28 Charlotte Street, (Old Y. M. C. A Building)  
ST. JOHN, N. B.

ALEX. CORBET, Manager.

## JIM HILL TO RETIRE; LEAVES WORK TO SON

After Half a Century of Stronous Toil  
He Will Give Up Active Control  
In July Next.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 31.—James J. Hill, President of the Great Northern Railway, and probably the most picturesque and remarkable character of the railroad and financial world today, will retire from active business and active management of his many mammoth enterprises July 1, 1907. The announcement comes from Mr. Hill himself. His successor will be his eldest son, J. W. Hill, now first vice-president of the Great Northern, who possesses a large degree of the exceptional genius of his father, and who will still have at his disposal the guiding hand of the empire builder of the Northwest. From time to time in the past few years there have been rumors that Mr. Hill was planning to retire. The definite time for retirement has never been announced till today, when Mr. Hill himself named July 1 next as the date for getting out of harness. "I have planned to retire as soon as I could safely do so," he said. "By that time I shall be able to leave the work of a lifetime, the business here, on a safe and sound base that will endure."



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HERE WE ARE!  
It is no need of you going up town looking for bargains when you can get them right in your vicinity—the same goods for less money.  
Call in and see what we offer you.  
Men's Good Heavy Reefers \$2.95  
Working Pants, 50c up  
"Gloves, 48"  
"Braces, 20"  
"Men's Wool Hose, 2 pair for 25c.  
Here is the place.  
J. ASHKINS, 655 Main St.

## WOLFVILLE LETTER

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Dec. 31.—L. S. Gove and Mrs. Gove of St. John, spent Christmas at the home of D. A. Munro, father of Mrs. Gove.  
W. C. Archibald, who has been for some time in New Brunswick, has gone to Boston for a short time. He was accompanied by his son, Chipman Archibald, manager of the fruit farm here, who will take a course in landscape gardening.  
Dr. B. C. Borden, principal of Mount Allison Ladies' College, with Mrs. Borden, is spending his vacation at his home in Avonport. He will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist Church at Kentville on Sunday.  
Yvonne Peltier, of Middleton, died suddenly on the D. A. R. train on Thursday, while on his way to Halifax for treatment for heart trouble, aged 21.  
Prof. J. F. Tufts has gone to Boston for a week's vacation. The Acadia governors met here on Friday to consider the appointment of a president, but although several names were discussed, no one was nominated.  
Dr. Trotter and family, who have been at Clifton Springs since leaving Wolfville, have gone to Toledo, Ohio, where Dr. Trotter will begin his pastorate the first of the year. The two sons who are studying at Toronto spent Christmas with them.  
Miss Mildred Healy, daughter of J. C. Healy of Cornwallis, was married recently to Wm. T. Madderford, at Crescent Lake, Sask.  
Mrs. (Captain) Welsley Davison (nee Miss Eya Margeson), a graduate of Acadia Seminary, has returned from Vancouver and will spend the winter at the home of her father, Dr. Margeson of Hantsport.  
Horace Longley, civil engineer, of Edmundston, N.B., with Mrs. Longley, is visiting his aunt, Miss Browne, at Hantsport.  
William Ferguson of St. John has arrived in Hantsport to join the schooner E. M. Roberts as mate, for a West India voyage.  
Miss Winifred Nichols of Berwick, was married recently to W. E. Pinkerton, at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Parsons, at Yorkton, Sask., where they will reside.  
Wm. H. Rogers died suddenly on Wednesday morning at Kentville, while taking his breakfast, aged 55 years. He leaves a wife and son.  
The large department store of M. B. Anthony at Berwick was destroyed by fire on Thursday morning, with all his stock. The house of H. M. Keddy was also burned, but the furniture was saved. Mr. Anthony carried on one of the largest lines of business in this county, and had on hand a very large stock, and his loss will be heavy.  
An almost fatal accident occurred at Kentville on Christmas eve. A young man named Ford, son of William Ford of Centerville, while in the yard among the lumber, was caught by the outgoing Canning train and his legs terribly fractured. His cries brought assistance from the car and he was taken to the station. Manager Giffins had him sent by special train to the hospital at Halifax.  
Robert Powers of Sheffield Mills was married on Wednesday to Mrs. H. Garrett of Cornwallis.  
Mrs. M. Cameron, of St. John, mother of Mrs. Joseph Bigelow, was married on Friday to John Bennett of Canning, where they will reside.  
William C. Hill, son of C. H. Hill, collector of customs here, who has been engaged in farming in the Northwest for ten years, returned home this week to spend his holidays with his parents.  
At the Christmas celebration of the Provincial Seafarers at Kentville a telegram was read from Miss Vera Creed of Fredericton wishing Miss Elliot and the nurses the compliments of the season.  
Mr. and Mrs. Abram G. Masters, old residents of Cornwallis, will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding on Dec. 31st, at the residence of their daughter, Mrs. Walter Mitchell,

Charles T. Taylor of Avonport, who first struck gold in the famous goldfield district of Nevada, has sold his interest in the Jumbo and Red Top mines for over a million dollars. He and Mrs. Taylor have been staying in Wolfville for a few days and making glad the hearts of their relatives during the Christmas season.  
The Rev. I. W. Porter has gone to Yarmouth in connection with his home mission work.  
Dr. and Mrs. Freeman, who have been spending Christmas at the home of Rev. D. W. Crandall, have returned to Bridgewater.  
Avard L. Bishop of Yalo, a graduate of Acadia, is spending the holidays at his home in Lawrenceton. He has been honored by being chosen to represent Yalo at a meeting of educationalists next month at Washington.  
Miss Nellie Woodworth is home from St. John for the holidays.  
James McGuire, station agent at Digby, had a narrow escape from drowning on Wednesday. He slipped from the wharf feet first into the water between the steamer leaving Digby for St. John at the wharf. He swam to a post and caught a rope thrown to him and was drawn out.  
The league hockey games will this year be between Acadia, Mt. Allison, Dalhousie and St. Francis Xavier. The first game will be between Acadia and Mt. Allison on Jan. 22nd, in Evangeline rink, Wolfville.  
A pretty wedding took place on Christmas day at Windsor, when Miss Blanche Smith, daughter of Arthur D. Smith, was married to William D. Cook by the Rev. J. Coulter White.  
An interesting event took place on Thursday at Windsor, when Miss May Sloan was married to Capt. Lemuel Slavin of St. John by the Rev. D. W. Johnson. They will reside in St. John on King street.  
One of the oldest residents of Berwick passed away this week, Mrs. Benjamin Stedman, aged 84.  
Delegates from Wolfville, Lunenburg and Yarmouth met in Middleton on Thursday and formed the Nova Scotia hockey league. The officers are W. C. Acker, Lunenburg, president; vice-president, H. H. Munro, Yarmouth; secretary and treasurer, Winfield S. Wallace, Wolfville. The first game will be between Lunenburg and Wolfville, to be played at Lunenburg Jan. 23rd.  
A pretty wedding took place on Thursday at the Baptist church, Billtown, when Miss Mary D. Sweet, youngest daughter of W. S. Sweet, was married to J. Scott Lamont of Billtown.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pierce, old residents of Melvern Square, will celebrate their golden wedding on New Year's Day.  
Capt. T. M. Grenahan of Margarettown has purchased the schooner Charles Troop for the St. John and Fundy Bay ports.  
The branch of the Halifax and Southwestern railway, that runs from Middleton to Victoria Beach, met with its first accident on Friday, when the tender and two cars ran off the track near Granville Ferry. A wrecking train from Bridgetown succeeded in getting them back onto the track.  
Major Elrick will be at home to his friends on New Year's Day at his residence, from four to six.

## IMMIGRANT SPECIAL WRECKED ON I. C. R.

QUEBEC, Dec. 30.—The immigrant special on the Intercolonial, bound from Halifax to Montreal, left the track near St. Andre this evening. The engine and four cars were overturned. Two passengers, a man and woman, and conductor Lindeux and brakeman Plants, were injured. The line was blocked for several hours.

# CLASSIFIED ADS

**FOR SALE.**  
FOR SALE CHEAP—Small grocery business. Line of good customers. Address M. Star Office. 1-1-6  
FOR SALE—Small cash register, practically new. T. J. PHILLIPS, 213 Union St. 1-1-6  
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FOR SALE—1850 driving horse, 2 farms, one near Hampstead, another near Norton, 100 acres each with buildings. R. G. MURRAY, barrister, city. 23-12-6  
FOR SALE—Two single sleighs in good order. M. COWAN, 13 Cedar St. 8-12-1m.  
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FOR SALE—About twenty new and two almost new general purpose Wagons, 2 coaches, and 2 horses, carriages, different styles, ready for use, glass front coach, new trimmings, well painted; also three second hand carriages; best place in the city for painting and greatest facilities for carriages. Apply to A. G. EDGECOMBE, 115 and 123 City Road.

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TO LET—Two small self-contained houses, 291 Haymarket Square. 8-10-1f

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WANTED—On May 1st, a heated flat of seven or eight rooms, in central location. Address GEORGE W., care Star Office. 22-12-1f  
WANTED—A small flat about six rooms; modern improvements, central location. Apply A. B. C. Star Office. 22-12-1f  
An experienced stenographer owning typewriter would supply a few hours each day or take position by the week. MISS G. STICKNEY, 164 Carmarthen street. 22-12-1f  
WANTED—A man with good business experience, wants a partnership in an established manufacturing or wholesale business. Can furnish capital. Apply to "PARTNER," P. O. Box 11, Saint John, N. B. 3-11-1f

**LOST.**  
LOST—Friday, a Black Pup. Answers to name "Pack." Finder rewarded by bringing to 22 Kennedy street, N. E. 12-12-6  
LOST—Between 3 and 6 p. m., Thursday, a Gilt and Leather Belt, with Gilt buckle. Finder will be rewarded by returning to 378 Union street. 14-12-1f

**ROOMS TO LET**  
NICE UNFURNISHED ROOM with two closets to let. General girls can always get best places by applying to MISS HANSON, Employment Office, 193 Charlotte street. 1-1-6  
TO LET—Furnished rooms at Tremont suitable for light housekeeping, at very moderate rates. 23-12-1f

**SITUATIONS VACANT FEMALE**  
WANTED.—An experienced lady stenographer. Applying giving references and salary expected. P. O. Box 296. 1-1-6  
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WANTED—An upstairs girl at the UNION HOTEL, 184 Union St. 1-1-6  
WANTED—A girl for general housework. References required. Apply to H. L. FRANCIS, 170 King street. 31-12-6  
WANTED AT ONCE—Housemaid, cooks, and general girls. Highest wages. MISS H. A. FROST, 133 Charlotte street. 23-12-6  
WANTED—Experienced girls to sew by machine and hand on men's pants. Also, girls to learn. Steady work and good wages. L. COHEN, 14 Canterbury street. 23-12-6  
WANTED A cook. Apply to MISS THORNE, 15 Melbourn street. 23-12-1f  
IF YOU WANT male or female help or a better situation in St. John or Boston, try JAMES'S Employment Agency, 69 St. James street, West side.

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E. LAW, Watchmaker, 3 Coburg St.  
J. D. McAVITT, dealer in hard and soft coal. Delivered promptly in the city. 23 Brunswick street.

NOW IS THE TIME to attend to your storm sashes for winter. I repair and paint them at reasonable rates. F. W. BLEDSTON, 13 Sydney street, Residence, 10 Haymarket Square. Tel. 1611.

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WANTED—A girl for general housework. No washing or ironing. References required. Apply 182 German street. 23-12-6  
WANTED AT ONCE—An experienced dining room girl. Apply to MRS. DOWNIE HOUSE, South Side King Street. 27-12-1f  
WANTED—Girl for general housework, also young girl for light housework. Apply with references to MRS. J. M. GRANT, 123 King street, evenings. 27-12-6  
WANTED—A reliable girl to do general housework in small family. Apply to MRS. NARRAWAY, 40 Orange Street. 27-12-6  
WANTED—Good machine sewers, a few learners taken. Walk in Prince Wm. street, 2nd floor. 27-12-6  
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WANTED—A dining room girl and a cook, at the WESTERN HOUSE, West Side. 27-12-1f  
WANTED—At Clifton House, one chambermaid and one dining room girl. 26-12-1f  
WANTED—Plain and competent cook. Apply MRS. WILLIAMS, 153 Douglas Ave. 26-12-1f  
WANTED—General worker. Respectable girl. Apply BOSTON HOUSE, 104 Chipman Hill. 12-11-1f  
WANTED—Girls to work on machines or by hand. Good wages paid. Steady work guaranteed. Apply J. SHANE & CO., 71 German street. 26-10-1f

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# IRISH ISLAND IS ANNOUNCED FOR SALE

Desire to Own Such Homes Strong Among Englishmen of Wealth.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—One of the British Isles was recently in the market, seeking a new lord and master of its forty-six pleasant acres, with its rich pasturage and sub-tropical vegetation. For this tiny kingdom is set like an emerald, just where the life-giving Gulf Stream impinges upon the foot of Ireland and spread abroad beneficent airs that bring luxuriant nourishment to vegetation.  
The island of Diniah, in the estuary of the Kenmare, County Kerry, a small portion of the princely domain of the ancient Herbert family, is the spot in question. Although within considerably less than a day's journey from London, its Fishguard and Rossbeg and the southern railways of Ireland, the little island, enshrined in the grand amphitheatre of the Kerry Mountains, is a near approach to the paradise that artists dream of. Its more robust attractions include fishing and shooting and yachting. Messrs. Lumley, St. James House, St. James street, W., had the disposal of the property, which was only on the market for a very brief space.

DESIRE TO OWN ISLANDS.  
Adrian Lumley yesterday said that the desire to own an island seemed to be very strong with many persons, and although such sales are far from frequent, there has been some remarkable deals in insular property in recent years. Lundy Island, in the Bristol Channel, was put up at auction last summer, and failed to win a bid commensurate with its owner's expectations. It is still in the market.  
The latest big deal in island purchasing, said Mr. Lumley, has probably been Lord Strathcona's acquisition of Colonsay and Oronsay, in the Hebrides. Those little Britains, former strongholds of the mighty lords of the isles, are lovely spots, forested to the water's edge in many parts, veined with winding streams and enriched with many a broad acre of pasturage. The island of Rann, not far from Lord Strathcona's islands, is 2,500 acres in extent, and is owned by Mr. Buller, whose father acquired the island years ago. Then Col. Buller and some other Hebridean lairds are for sale. Three runs to 2,500 acres, and is an ideal spot. Scarba Island, bought by Major Gascoyne, has lately been turned into a deer forest.

ANOTHER ISLAND PURCHASE.  
Another important island purchase not long ago was that of Kilnic, part of the Isle of Skye, an extent of 46,000 acres. This was bought for the purpose of transplanting the crofters. An English general recently bought an island of the Orkney group, Bonaig, in the Selly Isles. Mr. Smith-Dorrien acquired by purchase a charming domain not long ago.  
On the west coast of Ireland, which Mr. Lumley recently visited, there are the lovely Aran Isles, the Achill Isles, Valentia and Waterlilly, where the Atlantic cables land; Tory, off Lough Swilly, and Rathlin, with its memories of the Bruce. Scotland is par excellence the island kingdom. Its west coast being composed of chains of excellent sites for would-be Crusades.

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"There is one thing I never realized until I began to use my bread upon the water."  
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"How many people are out for the dough."

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**J. O. SKINNER, J. FRED PAYNE,**  
President. Secretary.

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A story of extraordinary deafness  
was unfolded at a recent meeting of a  
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elderly woman, exceedingly hard of  
hearing, lived near the river. One afternoon  
a warship fired a salute of ten  
guns. The woman, alone in her little  
house, waited until the booming ceased.  
Then she smoothed her dress, brushed  
her hair back in a quaint manner, and  
sweetly, "Come in."

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IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

In New Brunswick the year which  
has just closed has not brought many  
important changes though there has  
been progress in all directions. Politically  
we are in about the same position  
as at this time last year, there has  
been a relaxation in party lines and  
since the excitement over the last federal  
election has died out we are more  
than ever united for the general well  
being of the province. Before next  
New Year's day, however, changes will  
undoubtedly come which may result in  
a partial re-arrangement of the govern-  
ment, if current rumors are worthy  
of credence.

Industrially, our development has  
been slow but steady. A number of  
small manufacturing plants have been  
established, many others have been  
enlarged, and the gratifying circum-  
stance is that all have been kept busy.

Perhaps the most important engineering  
undertaking is the construction of  
the power plant at Aroostook falls,  
which plant will, it is expected, be in  
operation by next autumn. The Grand  
Falls Company seems to be very gradu-  
ally approaching the beginning of  
construction work. Numerous new saw-  
mills have been erected. An important  
railway line has been almost carried  
to completion in the northern part of  
the province, opening up a very valu-  
able section of country. All this is  
along the line of natural progress, and  
no great strides have been made in  
any one direction. But we may expect  
more during the new year, for the east-  
ern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific  
will be under way and its completion  
will be an event of moment to New  
Brunswick.

In education there has been a marked  
awakening to the advantages of a  
system which is suited to the needs of  
all, one which provides practical in-  
struction rather than book learning  
alone, and along this line may be noted  
the establishment of a number of  
schools equipped for manual training  
and kindred branches, while several  
other such schools are now under con-  
sideration. There is to be seen, too, in  
religious life a realization of the fact  
that solemn sermons are not alone suf-  
ficiently powerful to hold the interest  
of the young in church work. Twenty  
years ago many staid old deacons, who  
fortunately are now in their graves,  
would have been stricken dumb by a  
suggestion that sacred church property  
should be used for anything but  
church purposes. Nowadays our dea-  
cons and elders have more sense, and  
perhaps after all John Knox will not  
turn in his grave when he sees boys  
and girls skating behind a Presbyterian  
church, nor will Wesley rise up when  
Methodists use the vacant church land  
for tennis courts. These old leaders and  
more like them will be inclined to rest  
satisfied with the knowledge that some  
at least of their followers are appre-  
ciating the true teachings of the gospel  
and are gathering off the streets those  
men and women and boys and girls  
who have hitherto been so sadly ne-  
glected. This re-action on the part  
of the church, this reversion to practical  
Christianity has been most marked  
during the past year, and will no doubt  
be continued for the good of the people.

New Brunswick is a province which  
must depend to a large extent on the  
success of its lumbering, and during  
the year this industry has been most  
prosperous. Year after year the oper-  
ators and millmen pull long faces,  
strenuously object to any innovations  
which may increase their expenses, and  
announce that they are almost ruined  
when a few million feet of logs are  
hung up. But year in and year out they  
flourish, most of them are wealthy,  
and although they no doubt have  
met with some minor reverses in 1906  
it must be admitted that on the whole  
they have done very well.

General business has been exception-  
ally good, failures have been few, pay-  
ments prompt, money plentiful, and  
good times have prevailed, due chiefly  
to the strong demand for labor.

Agriculture has received only a share  
of attention. The deplorable tendency  
among people to get to the cities still  
exists, and J. J. Hill's advice to "go  
back to the land," is not being follow-  
ed, but there is a hope that the people  
will before long realize for themselves  
the advantages of remaining on the  
farms.

**THE DEATH OF THE OLD YEAR.**

Full knee-deep lies the winter snow  
And the winter winds are wearily  
sighing;

Tell ye the church bell sad and low,  
And tread softly and speak low,  
For the old year lies a-dying.

Old year, you must not die;  
You came to us so readily,  
You lived with us so steadily,  
Old year, you shall not die.

He lieth still; he doth not move;  
He will not see the dawn of day,  
He hath no other life above,  
He gave me a friend, and a true, true  
love.

And the New-Year will take 'em  
away.  
Old year, you must not go;  
So long as you have been with us,  
Such joy as you have seen with  
us,  
Old year, you shall not go.

How hard he breathes! over the snow  
I heard just now the crowing cock.  
The shadows flicker too and fry,  
The cricket chirps; the light burns  
low;

His face is growing sharp and thin,  
Alas! our friend is gone,  
Close up his eyes; tie up his chin;  
Step from the corpse, and let him in  
That standeth there alone.

And waiteth at the door,  
There's a new foot on the floor my  
friend,  
And a new face at the door, my friend,  
A new face at the door.

—TENNYSOON.

A parliamentary candidate was being  
heckled. One of the questions had  
reference to the religious denomination  
to which he belonged.

"Well," asked you have asked me  
an honest question, and you shall have  
a straightforward answer. My grand-  
mother was a Scotchwoman—a rigid  
Presbyterian.

Obvious disappointment was shown  
on the faces of the audience, so the  
candidate proceeded:

"My grandfather was English, and  
therefore a member of the Church of  
England."

Still no enthusiasm, but rather the  
reverse.

"My father, on the other hand, was  
a good Baptist," went on the desper-  
ate candidate, who was still unrewarded  
by applause. He grew anxious, so  
hurriedly added: "But my dear old  
mother, long since dead, was a Metho-  
dist."

Instantly all faces were radiant, so  
he concluded:

"And, gentlemen, I follow the pre-  
cepts of my dear old mother. I'm  
Methodist and I don't care who knows  
it!"

**FOR THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.**  
(Harper's Weekly.)

An amusing story of amateur sport  
comes from Rockville, Maryland, where  
each year there is held a series of races  
for all comers.

The sun was blazing down on field of  
hot, excited horses and men, all wait-  
ing for a tall raw-boned beast to yield  
to the impetuosity of the starter and  
get into line.

The patience of the starter was near-  
ly exhausted. "Bring up that horse!"  
he shouted. "Bring up that horse!"  
"Get into trouble pretty soon if you  
don't!"

The rider of the refractory beast, a  
youthful Irishman, yelled back: "I  
can't help it! This here's been a cab-  
horse, and he won't start till the door  
shuts, and I ain't got no door!"

It is the custom of a well-known  
vicar to point his sermons with either  
"dearly beloved brethren" or "my  
brothers." One day a lady member  
of his congregation took exception to  
this.

"My dear lady," said the beaming  
vicar, "one embraces the other."  
"But not in the church!" was the  
instant reply.

The productiveness of the soil of  
Indian Territory and all things there-  
unto pertaining is constantly grow-  
ing. An exchange offers a cow for sale  
in the following words:

"Full-blooded cow for sale, giving  
milk, three tons of hay, a lot of  
chickens and several stoves."

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Him—I hate a dirty woman.  
Her—How about a dirty man?  
Him—Oh, well—that's different. Women  
are so attractive that a man has  
some excuse.

Dupont—I think your son will be  
celebrated if he lives long enough.  
Durand—In what way?  
Dupont—Why, for his great age.

**PIONEER AEROPLANIST,  
RUINED, WILL TRY AGAIN**

Count Ferdinand Zeppelin, After Spending  
Fortune, is Undaunted.

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—Now that the  
Wright Brothers and M. Santos Du-  
mont have all but solved the problem  
of aerial flight, it is pathetic to con-  
template the present condition of  
Count Ferdinand Zeppelin, the pioneer,  
who fifty years ago began a study of  
the question, despite the jeers of his  
contemporaries, who regarded him as  
a madman.

Of all the magnificent estates the  
Count inherited nothing now remains  
to him. Every house and every acre  
has been spent in futile experiments,  
and with his devoted wife, the old in-  
ventor has been living for the last few  
years in a small four-roomed cottage  
in a remote village in South Germany,  
dependent for support on wealthy rela-  
tives.

Year after year, from 1864, with only  
a break of one year, when he got mar-  
ried, Count Zeppelin constructed all  
sorts of flying machines, making ex-  
pensive journeys to Paris, London and  
other capitals to watch the progress of  
other aeronauts.

Little by little his estate was frit-  
tered away and he was forced to face  
ruin and destitution.

After devoting forty years to a fu-  
tile attempt to construct a successful  
flying machine Count Zeppelin ap-  
plied himself to the construction of a  
navigable airship. The last unsuccessful  
attempt was made in 1901, when the  
Count, who was then 63 years old, in  
despair, publicly announced that he  
was determined to abandon his effort.

But he managed to collect funds to  
build another airship, which was com-  
pleted this year. It had its first trial  
in September, and was reported to be  
a comparative success. Subsequent  
trips were comparative failures; but,  
nevertheless, the count, with money he  
has borrowed from sympathetic friends  
will try once more next year.

## TAFT ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR 1908

Looked Upon as One to Carry Out  
President's Policies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Secretary  
of War William Howard Taft today  
announced himself a candidate for the  
Presidential nomination.

His statement expresses neither great  
hope that his ambitions will be realized,  
nor does it urge any reasons why  
they should. Nevertheless, as it is  
read here, it is accepted as an un-  
derstanding of the situation.

It is not seeking the Presidential  
nomination, and I do not expect to be  
the Republican candidate; if for no  
other reason, because of what seems  
to me to be objections to my avail-  
ability, which do not appear to lessen  
with the continued discharge of my  
official duties.

"But I am not foolish enough to say  
that in the improbable event that the  
opportunity to run for the great office  
of President were to come to me I  
should decline it, for this would not be  
true."

Mr. Taft's statement was by friends  
to pressure brought to bear by friends  
in Ohio. It was preceded by a pub-  
lic announcement of his candidacy in  
the Cleveland Leader of this morning,  
a portion of which appeared in The  
North American.

**THE TWO VAGABONDS.**

Although a fairly large audience at-  
tended the Robinson Opera Company's  
production of The Two Vagabonds  
last evening, many others might have  
been present if the piece had been ad-  
vertised under its more familiar name  
of Robert Macaire or Erminie. This  
old favorite was splendidly presented,  
the costuming was most attractive,  
the chorus work well up to the mark,  
and too much praise cannot be given  
to the soloists. Miss Wallace, who took  
the lead, never sang more sweetly  
than in the lullaby nor were the mem-  
bers of the chorus ever heard more  
favorably. There are many gems in  
the opera and all were rendered with  
skill and expression. Mr. Nelson  
and Mr. Henderson were an amusing  
couple as The Two Vagabonds and the  
other parts were taken with the usual  
success of a complete star.

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We depend largely on our method of  
advertising for the sale of our goods.—  
Calumet Baking Powder Co.

**Dr. C. Sydney Emerson,  
DENTIST,  
34 Wellington Row.  
Painless Work a Specialty.**

Office hours from 9 a. m. to 12 m.  
and from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.  
"Phone 128.

**"There's Luck in Odd  
Numbers"**

Said Rory as he put down  
the Tiger Tea Pot to take  
another look at Kathleen.

**MARRIAGES.**

**STONE-CALÉ**—At the United Baptist  
Parsonage, Victoria street, St. John,  
Dec. 24, 1906, by Rev. Gideon Swim,  
Edgar Stone and Mabel Calé, both of  
St. John.

**HIGGINS-FIDDLER**—At the United  
Baptist Parsonage, Victoria street,  
by Rev. Gideon Swim, Harry Hig-  
gins of Salmon Creek, Queens Co.,  
N. B., and Addie R. Fidler, of Up-  
per Salmon Creek, Sunbury Co., N.  
B.

**DEATHS.**

**HOLMES**—In this city on the 30th  
inst. after a short illness, Honora,  
widow of Carl Holmes, in the 75th  
year of her age, leaving one son to  
mourn his loss.

Notice of funeral in evening papers.

**DONALD**—In this city, on the 31st  
Dec., Margaret (Bird), aged 24 years,  
wife of Alexander B. Donald and  
daughter of Mary Ann and the late  
John Hackett.

Funeral on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd,  
at 2 o'clock from her late residence,  
Lombard street. Friends and ac-  
quaintances are invited to attend.

**WILLES**—In this city, on Dec. 31st,  
Thomas Willis, in the 83rd year of  
his age, leaving one son and one  
daughter to mourn their loss. (Boston  
papers please copy.)

Funeral on Wednesday, the second day  
of January, from the residence of  
his daughter, Mrs. Alexander Gray,  
No. 12 Prospect street. Service at  
the house at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and  
acquaintances are respectfully invited  
to attend.

**O'BRIEN**—In this city, on Dec. 31st,  
Bridget, the beloved wife of John  
O'Brien, in the 74th year of her age,  
leaving a husband and one sister to  
mourn their loss. (Boston papers  
please copy.)

Funeral on Thursday morning at 8:30  
from her late residence, 188 Rockland  
road, to Holy Trinity church. Re-  
quiem high mass at 8. Friends are  
invited to attend.

## Christmas Jewelry, Etc.

In new goods, and an end-  
less variety from which  
to choose your  
**Holiday Gifts.**

Come early.

**FERGUSON & PAGE,  
Diamond Dealers & Jewelers,  
41 King Street.**

**Wishing You a Happy  
New Year, and thanking you for  
kind patronage in the past.**

Yours, truly,  
**CHAS. A. CLARK,  
49 Charlotte Street.**

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## Fruit Cake, White Cake,

From 10c. to 25c. a pound.

**MCKIEL'S BAKERY.**  
194 Metcalf St., Branch 66 Wall st.  
Phone 1825.

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All Winter if you use  
**CUTILAVE!**

This preparation is more than a  
simple emollient—it is a rare healer.  
It has properties possessed by no other  
skin preparation. It is dainty and  
delightful to use on hands or face.  
It will protect the complexion from  
harm, or will quickly cure the worst  
case of sore, chapped skin. You'll  
like its delightful perfume, too.

**25c. a Bottle.**

Prepared and sold only by  
**E. CLINTON BROWN,  
THE DRUGGIST,  
Cor. Union and Waterloo streets,  
Phone 1008.**

**A MASSIVE SCHOOLBOY.**

**Bartlett of Worcester Academy Makes a  
New Strength Record.**

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 31.—With  
a total strength of 1,235 points, Prof.  
Donald B. McMillan of Worcester  
Academy predicts that Arthur E. Bart-  
lett of Boston, a student at Worcester  
Academy, will have easily secured the  
record for being the strongest of men  
at the academy. The record of the  
academy was held until Bartlett's com-  
ing by Foster V. Young of Aylesford,  
N. S. This record was 1,050 points. Bart-  
lett is the son of a Boston printer,  
and before coming here was with the  
Waban Prep School.

Timothy F. Larkin, formerly football  
coach at the Worcester Academy, saw  
good material for the team very quick-  
ly in Bartlett and placed him on the  
squad. At left tackle he did excellent  
work during the past season. He stands  
5 feet 11 1/2 inches, and it is believed  
he will grow to six feet three or four  
inches. His breadth of chest is 18 1/2  
inches; depth of shoulders, 8 1/2 inches.  
His breadth of chest is 14 1/2 inches and  
depth 8 1/2 inches. His chest measure-  
ment is 42 inches and expanded is 43 1/2  
inches. His neck is 16 inches. The  
strength of his right forearm is 31  
pounds, his left 34. He combined the bar  
19 times, Bartlett's lung capacity is 300  
cubic inches.

**COLOR AND LIGHT.**  
(Harper's.)

The peculiar simplicity of the country  
darker in the South is illustrated by a  
story told by Representative John  
Sharp Williams.

An old negro had gone to a post of-  
fice in Mississippi and offered for the  
mail a letter that was over the weight  
specified for a single stamp.

"This is too heavy," said the post-  
master. "You will have to put an  
other stamp on it."

"The old darkey's eyes widened in as-  
tonishment. 'Will amud?' stamp  
make it any lighter, boss?' he asked.

## Slippers & Christmas.

Telephone, 1902a.  
**WISE OLD SANTA CLAUS**

Will buy more slippers this year than ever before. He considers  
Slippers one of the most useful Christmas Gifts than can be made.  
Many and many a foot is now wondering if Santa Claus will bring a  
pair of nice warm SLIPPERS on Christmas morning. Some are little  
feet, some are big feet, but all feet are alike to Santa Claus—he will  
bring them, if you but give him the hint. Put "Slippers" on your  
gift list—Santa Claus will do the rest.

Plenty here to please every Man, Woman or Child. Slippers of all  
kinds and for all purposes. Slipper economy and Slipper elegance.  
Slippers from 70c. to \$2.00. This way for Christmas Slippers.

**D. MONAHAN,  
32 Charlotte Street.**

**Useful Presents**

are usually more appreciated now-a-days than  
those merely ornamental. What would be more  
acceptable to mother or sister than a pair of  
**OVERSHOES**, or wouldn't father or brother  
like a pair of **SLIPPERS** or nice **SHOES**.  
We have the best in these lines, and if your  
selection doesn't fit the recipient we will gladly  
change them. Come in and see.

**Remember Our Free Gift Distribution Coupons  
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**SANBORN'S SHOE STORE, 339 Main St.**

No need of coughing your lungs  
away and earning the keen glance of  
the passing undertaker, when an un-  
failing and

**RELIABLE COUGH CURE**  
awaits you always here. Life isn't  
worth living until that cough's cured.  
Call on our up-to-date prescription  
department, and that "honk-honk"  
that's splitting open your throat will  
vanish. Why delay? Make us prove  
our boast. Complete line of Drugs,  
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## NIGHT LAMPS

Our Night Lamps and Fancy Shades  
Have Arrived. Prices Very Low  
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**The Saint John Auer Light Co., Ltd.,  
Tel. 873. 19 Market Square.**

## RAT GNAWS BABY'S EAR

**IN CINCINNATI HOSPITAL**

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.—Horrible dis-  
coveries have been made by the com-  
mittee of the city club, appointed to in-  
quire into the condition of the old  
Cincinnati Hospital and to ascertain  
the necessity of a new one.

It was learned today from a member  
of the committee that the reporter,  
Ralph Caldwell, instanced a baby pa-  
tient, part of whose ear was bitten off  
by a rat, which also gnawed the sole  
of one of the baby's feet.

Joseph Thatcher, wounded by a po-  
lice man, begged to be removed from  
the hospital to the jail, because he  
feared the rats in the ward.

A woman gave birth to a child in the  
contagious disease ward. The babe was  
born afflicted with the disease and  
died. The mother was removed from  
the ward and then contracted diphe-  
theria and also died.

**GIRL ILL WITH FEVER  
IS BEATEN TO DEATH**

CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 31.—Dorothy  
Wheat, 24 years old, and known as  
"Harpman," was so badly beaten while  
in bed suffering from typhoid that she  
died in terrible agony.

The crime was committed early yes-  
terday morning at Peru, Hartly county,  
W. Va.

Two young men of the neighborhood  
are under surveillance. Her body was  
covered with cuts and bruises, and  
her face frightfully mutilated, showing  
that she had been subjected to most  
inhuman treatment.

**AT KEITH'S.**

The programme provided by Keith's  
this week is a good one. The theatre  
was crowded last night and everyone  
seemed pleased.

Adair and Dahn in their wire walk-  
ing act are clever people. They did  
several thrilling feats on the wire and  
were tendered well deserved applause.

Prof. Clark's performing dogs and  
ponies are clever and the act was one  
of the best of its kind seen here for  
a long time. W. B. Magazan sang  
several illustrated songs which were  
very catchy. Charles and Fannie Van  
in a comedy sketch, provided much fun  
for the audience. Ivesen's "Friend-  
ship" as portrayed by D. F. Watkins  
and H. A. Leppine is a sketch which is  
pure to please St. John theatre-goers.  
Both men are actors of marked ability.  
What was probably one of the most  
pleasing features in the programme  
was the musical act by Fields and  
Kanan. Selections from a number of  
instruments were given and they were  
obliged to respond to an encore.

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**THE INVICTUS "INVICTUS" SHOE FOR MEN.**

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A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our Friends and Customers.  
**A. B. WETMORE, 59 Garden Street.**

**THE WICKED YEAR 1906.**  
"Writing two months before the record for the year 1906 is made up," says E. S. Martin in Appleton's Almanac, "it is already possible to set it down as a year of previous peculiarities. The weather has seemed to be altogether indifferent to precedent. The winter neglected its business of making ice; the summer was of a sort to make you wish you were a British subject and could call it 'nasty' without compunction. It was nasty. It was hot and it was wet. It bred mosquitoes in vast multitudes in mosquito districts, and in lesser swarms in the districts where usually mosquitoes are unknown. It was sticky; it was sticky; it was protracted. It made people weary of living. When has there been a summer the idiosyncrasies of which have been so generally execrated?"

"And besides being uncomfortable the year has been calamitous. Vesuvius has spouted fire; earthquake and fire have destroyed San Francisco and done vast damage to Valparaiso. Typhoons have swept ruin upon Hong Kong. West India hurricanes have done the like to Mobile and Pensacola. September saw England blasted with more than mid-summer heat, and early October saw Buffalo prostrated by a snow blizzard. It has been a year of extremes and excesses, meteorological, political, and social, and it will go out leaving a long bill of damage for better behaved years to pay."

"They tell us that the wildest freaks of climate befall in the first ten years of each century, and along about fifty years later, after the middle of each century; that the winters of extreme cold come at those times, and the most frigidous and peculiar summers. They lay it to the recurrence of the big sun spots, which agitate the nerves of the earth and make it shaky, causing the Gulf Stream and other currents to stagger from their right course, and upsetting all sub-lunary habits. That the minds and passions of men are affected by the restlessness of their earthly habitation is easy to believe, whether or not the belief is well founded. Now some of the foreboding bids us look out for a very hard winter, but we have already had (in 1904 and 1905) two pretty hard winters, and to predict another seem like rubbing it in."

**THE IMPROVED "Silent" Parlor Match**  
Is dipped in red wax, with white tips.  
Ask for "Silents" always.

**SCHOFIELD BROS.,**  
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**SPREADING THE NET.**  
Figures look so much alike it takes some effort of the imagination to realize the full meaning of the statement that there are over five thousand miles of railway now under construction in that part of Canada which lies between the Great Lakes and the Rocky Mountains. This, however, is the simple truth of it. The Canadian Pacific people are adding to their existing system a nice little loop of 1,400 miles. The Grand Trunk Pacific are starting out with 1,900 miles. The Canadian Northern, trying to live up to Mr. Mackenzie's maxim of no day without its mile or two— is in for 1,500. And "Jim" Hill, the terror of the plains, is laying a thousand miles to keep up the reputation of the Great Northern.

Three of these railway companies are making for the Pacific coast as fast as they can go, the fourth being already there. Also there are signs that some or all of them will presently have outlets on Hudson Bay. They work while we sleep, these railway builders, and there, also there are signs that some of these days, it will be a new country altogether upon which we shall look out.

**TENNISON SMITH AT NORTON.**  
NORTON, N. B., Dec. 31.—Tennison Smith's campaign in Norton has proved a great success. Each meeting since the first has been crowded, and on Sunday alone 104 pledges were taken. The series closed on Tuesday night with the lecturer's famous tug-of-war.

**TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.**  
TORONTO, Dec. 31.—Toronto bank clearings for the year were \$1,210,125,359 or an increase of \$179,034,658 over last year. Building permits were issued for \$13,120,000 worth of buildings, an increase of \$61,385 over last year.

**Magee's Made-to-Order Persian Lamb Jackets**

Our Persian Lamb Jackets are becoming more popular all the time. They have style and quality.

The skins are choice—in small, medium or large glossy cuts.

The linings of Satin are plain dark or light figured materials of excellent quality.

The styles are from the centres of fine fashions.

Jackets made to order in any style—plain, or with Collar and Revers of Mink, Sable, Chinchilla or Ermine.

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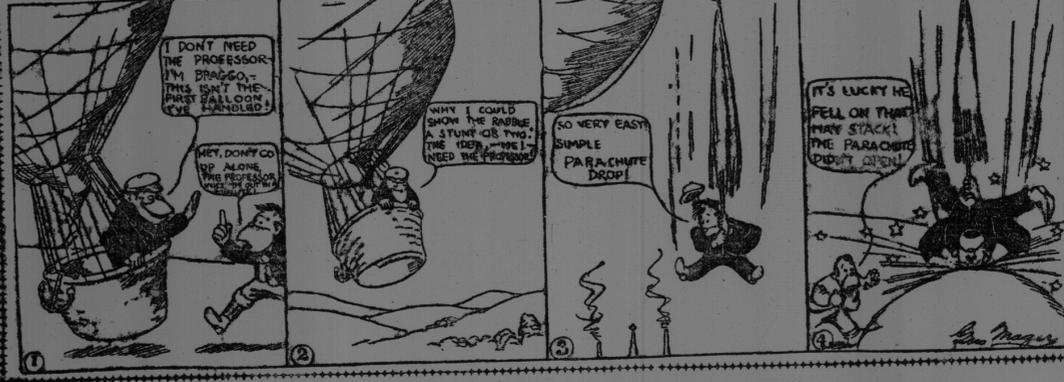
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and things suitable for New Year's Gifts, at

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**BRAGGO THE MONK.**

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1—STRANGER (who has just rushed in)—Is this Mr. Braggo? Well, a lady who has just been struck by an automobile and carried into the drug store next door says her name was Mrs. Braggo. MR. E. Z.—Oh, this is awful! Mary! Mary! Oh, I can't get to her side quick enough.

2—STRANGER—Gee! struck the day when the bank is full. It looks like that there was at least ten thousand here. I thought that guy would stop for nothing when he heard them words.

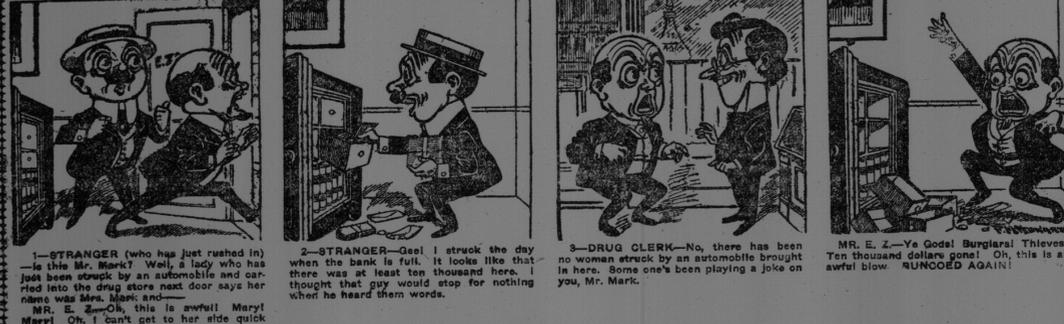
3—DRUG CLERK—No, there has been no woman struck by an automobile brought in here. Some one's been playing a joke on you, Mr. Mark.

MR. E. Z.—Ye Gods! Burglars! Thieves! Ten thousand dollars gone! Oh, this is an awful blow. **NUNCOED AGAIN!**

He Didn't Need a Professor to Show Him How to Manage a Balloon.

**MR. E. Z. MARK RECEIVES UNEXPECTED NEWS.**

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**MR. E. Z. MARK AND THE PATENT JEWEL CASKET.**



1—SLICK PARTY—Mr. Mark, this is the greatest burglar-proof invention of the age. See, you place your jewelry in the casket, which, apparently, is just like any other jewel casket. Just place your watch, your diamond stud and your diamond ring in the casket and I'll show you how it works. That's it.

2—SLICK PARTY—Now, I shut the lid; press this spring, and, lo and behold, when you open the box again a false bottom has covered the jewels. When the burglar opens the casket he thinks it contains nothing. Therefore he leaves it alone and your jewels are saved.

3—SLICK PARTY—Now, to get the jewels when you wish them, all you have to do is to press this other spring—dear me, it's stuck. Mr. Mark, could you get me a little machine oil?

MR. MARK—Sure. That's a great idea. I'll take one of those boxes.

4—MR. E. Z.—(returning)—I was some time in finding the machine oil, but—Why, where has that fellow gone? Ye gods! SKIPPED! With my watch! My diamond stud and my diamond ring. Ye gods! **DONE AGAIN!**

**STAR FASHIONS.**

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**GOLD HEADED CANE FOR G. S. MAYES**

G. S. Mayes, the dredging contractor, was a surprised man last evening, when on paying a visit to the Beaver, between five and six o'clock, he was summoned to the cabin and presented by Captain Dunlop, on behalf of the crew, with a gold headed ebony cane and an address.

Dear Mr. Mayes—The captain and members of the crew of the dredge Beaver desire upon the completion of another year, to express to you their gratitude for the kind and liberal treatment they have always received from you during the year which has passed away.

We feel proud of the machine which we are operating, for we know that in spite of the many great difficulties, a record has been made which cannot be beaten by any dredge of a similar size. And this record could not have been made without the aid of such hard work as you have personally given.

In token of our friendly feelings we desire to present you with a little support and to wish you and Mrs. Mayes a very happy and prosperous New Year.

We are, dear sir, yours very truly,  
John J. Dunlop, captain; James M. Clark, foreman; Percival Powell, steward; on behalf of the crew.

**SOME SMALL PAJAMAS.**

4741—It is the pajama age and not alone for grown-ups but for the small folks as well. Mothers find them very practical for little girls and boys because they are warmer than night-gowns and can't be so easily kicked off on cool nights. The pajamas sketched here are very simply made and yet quite attractive. The upper part has seams under the arms and on the shoulders and then buttons up snugly to the throat. They may be made of gingham, madras or outing flannel and a plain cotton or wool braid makes a pretty finish for the edges of neck and front. For the medium size 4-14 yards of 36-inch material are needed.

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or poor the price for milk is the same and quality is the only consideration. By testing daily and observing greatest care in handling we can guarantee our

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where clothing materials are sold carries a full and comprehensive supply of the most reliable and dearest domestic cloths.

**The Oxford Make.**

THE CELEBRATION IN NEW YORK

Passing of the Old Year and Advent of New. Occasion Observed in the Good Old Fashioned Way—A Noisy, Happy Throng on Broadway

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The passing of the old year and the advent of the new were observed here in the good old-fashioned way. Each New Yorker celebrated in accordance with his individual bent. The playhouses were filled to "standing room only," the cafes were crowded to the limit; up and down lower Broadway moved unceasingly a noisy, happy throng, while above the deafening din pealed the chimes from Trinity and less historic spires under which congregations gave the occasion a religious significance.

Rain, which had fallen steadily throughout the day, let up as the evening advanced, and the crowds that had made New Year's memorable, ringing on the streets blowing horns, appearing bells, kicking each other with feather-tipped sticks and showering confetti over all. The police, warned by Commissioner Bingham, to whom protests had been made when the annual night of liberty had degenerated into unbridled license, offered a show of restraining the exuberance of the parade, but the good nature of the crowd welcomed 1907. This was followed by "Red, White and Blue," "Liberty," "Long, Long Ago," "Swanee River," "Home, Sweet Home," and other airs, while the listening thousands waved hats and umbrellas in the air and abandoned. Throughout the city other chimes rang out the old and rang in the new.

AUSTRALIA IS WILLING.

Indications That the Commonwealth Would Welcome Preferential Tariff.

OTTAWA, Dec. 31.—Negotiations looking towards closer commercial relations are understood to be on foot between Canada and the Australian colonies and New Zealand. While their exact nature remains confidential, it is of interest to note recent utterances of Australian statesmen. At the closing of the Australian Parliament, the Governor-General of the Commonwealth said: "My advisers earnestly trust that their efforts may lead to closer commercial relations and foster a sentiment of unity between the United Kingdom and the self-governing dominions."



Home! Home! "Mamma, these gloves smell sort of gasoline. I'll have to wash 'em before I wear 'em." "Oh, don't worry, dear. I'll wash 'em for you."

A FINANCIAL RECORD FOR U.S.

The Country Has No Need to Feel Alarmed. Secretary Shaw's Report Shows Big Surplus on Books of the Treasury—Decreased Expenditures

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—There is no occasion for alarm. Our only anxiety need be lest we fail of facilities to properly garner, store, transport and market our multiplied blessings. Let every man be of good cheer and try to be conservative in everything, except thankfulness.

Secretary Shaw thus concludes a resume of the year's financial record, which he says has been prepared in response to multiplied requests. In round numbers he places the receipts for the calendar year 1906 at \$225,000,000 and the expenditures at \$225,000,000, of an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$25,000,000. As there has been no change in the tariff laws or the laws relating to internal revenues, Secretary Shaw says the large increase in receipts is due solely to the extraordinary trade activity. The total expenditure, however, for 1906, as compared with 1905, he says, shows a decrease of but \$5,000,000.

Discussing the finances of the government for the six months in the present fiscal year just closed, the secretary says that the books of the treasury show surplus receipts over expenditures of \$25,000,000, as compared with a deficit of \$3,000,000 for the corresponding months of the previous fiscal year. The cash in the treasury is \$150,000,000, as compared with \$171,000,000 a year ago, an increase of \$19,000,000.

The cash in National Bank deposits is \$155,000,000, as compared with \$150,000,000 a year ago, an increase of \$5,000,000, and the total cash in the general fund is \$250,000,000, as against \$242,000,000 a year ago. The available cash has increased during the year \$101,000,000. With the general fund standing at \$237,000,000, Secretary Shaw remarks that the bond maturing July 1, 1907, can be paid, if it be deemed wise and still leave a working balance of more than \$120,000,000.

During the last twelve months the secretary continues, the money in actual circulation, exclusive of the amount in the treasury vaults, has increased over \$200,000,000. Of this increase, \$145,000,000 is available for bank reserve and \$55,000,000 is in National Bank circulation. "This," he says, "seems to be a complete answer to the oft-repeated and ill-considered criticism that the independent treasury system necessarily results in contraction when money is most needed."

NEW YEAR BOYALLY USHERED IN BY ST. JOHN PEOPLE

Another Milestone Welcomed by the Blowing of Whistles, Ringing of Bells, Band Music and Fire Works—Watch Night Services Held in Many City Churches—Holiday Will be Generally Recognized—Rinks and Theatres Will Afford Opportunity to Spend the Day Pleasantly.

With the booming of cannon, the tolling of bells, the tooting of whistles, the blare of trumpets and the flare of rockets, the dying year was farewell and the New Year ushered into existence. Despite the storm many citizens assembled in the various churches to participate in the watch night services. The churches were most impressive. At five minutes to twelve the bells began ringing, warning the people of the close of the old year. The whistles of the steamers in the harbor soon joined in. The Carleton Cornet Band went through a short programme on King square, west end, at the close of the year, and when they had concluded cheers were given by those assembled. The steamships on the west side fired rockets at midnight and the occasion was generally festive.

At the various clubs the members assembled to usher in the New Year, and 1907 certainly received a royal welcome from the citizens of St. John. The citizens now look forward to the fire ladders' trips. Notwithstanding the absence of snow the men will pay their fraternal visits and backboards have been hired to convey the parties to the different stations. In the afternoon the members of the Father's Union will visit the orphanage at Silver Falls and give the boys their annual treat. At 2:15 o'clock half a dozen backboards will leave St. Malachy's Hall conveying the members of the society to the orphanage. Complete arrangements for the afternoon as well as the youngsters.

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He maintains, therefore, that the existing money stringency, world-wide in its extent, is traceable in no respect and in no degree to the independent treasury system of the United States. He says the manifest and admitted shortage has been caused by the unprecedented prosperity in this country and reasonable prosperity everywhere. The people of the United States, he declares, consume per capita more food, more clothes, more of everything than any other people in the world, and when prosperous they import even largely. This, he asserts, naturally encourages industry everywhere and unusual business activity calls for an unusual amount of actual money and of credits based on actual money.

As to the currency system of the United States, Secretary Shaw says that in his judgment it permits adequate expansion, but that its weakness is its failure to procure contraction. The volume of money, he contends, does not respond to the volume of our business. The annual increase, he adds, may be sufficient, but there is no annual contraction during the dull summer months. "Only the unthinking and ill-advised," he says, "charge the admitted stringency solely or largely to stock and bond speculation. Just now speculation in real estate is at high tide, and the opinion is expressed that very like it and margins on real estate are in the air. It is the speculation in stocks and bonds, and not the speculation in real estate, that is the cause of the stringency."

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THE TRANSVAAL'S NEW CONSTITUTION

Letters Patent Creating it a Self-Governing Colony. Goities to be Sent Back Within a Year—Cabinet Reserves Many Powers.

The text of the Letters Patent establishing the Transvaal Constitution has been issued as a parliamentary paper. In the telegram sent by Lord Selborne, he says: "I am commanded by the king to express my warmest wishes for the people of the Transvaal and its people will be permanently secured, and with the hope that the steps now taken will in due time lead to the union of the interests of the whole of his majesty's dominions in South Africa."

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To Stations West of Montreal LOWEST ONE-WAY FIRST-CLASS FARE Dec. 24, 25, 1906, good for return until Dec. 26, 1906. Also, on Dec. 31, 1906, and Jan. 1, 1907, good for return until Jan. 2, 1907.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY Intercolonial Railway FOR NEW YEAR will sell round trip tickets LOCAL ISSUE

THROUGH ISSUE First-Class One-Way Through Fare Good going December 31st, January 1st. RETURNING January 2nd, 1907.

EASTERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY INTERNATIONAL DIVISION WINTER REDUCED RATES Effective to May 1, 1907.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS. Owing to the Increased Patronage which Advertisers are giving to the Star, we are Compelled to request those who require changes in their Advertisements to have their Copy in the Star Office Before 9 o'clock in the Morning, to Ensure insertion same Evening.

Scotch Coal, and Broad Cove Soft. C. E. COLWELL, has on hand a stock of Scotch Coal, and is exporting, daily, some Broad Cove Soft. Telephone West End, No 17, C. E. COLWELL, Old Fort, West End.

BRIEF DISPATCHES NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Samuel W. Martin, proprietor of a well known all-night Broadway restaurant, died suddenly today from heart disease. Mr. Martin's health had been poor for some time, and he had failed rapidly since he was obliged to make an assignment for the benefit of his creditors a few weeks ago. His condition became critical last night and he sank steadily until his death.

JUST RECEIVED A Supply of No. 1 ELECTRIC BELTS Highly Recommended as a Great Cure for Nerve Exhaustion, Loss of Mental Vigor and All Nerve Weakness. W. HAWKER & SON, Druggists, 261 Prince William St.



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THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B. TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1907

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After Christmas Prices

The trade we did last week warrants us in cleaning out all left overs without consideration as to the cost.

- \$1.25 Black Lustre Waists, ..... 65c
2.00 Black Lustre Waists will be .95c
2.65 Colored Lustre Waists, silk trimmed, will be .....\$1.25

There is a large assortment of colorings and sizes in these waists. They are the biggest waist bargains we have ever offered.

An Arrival of Plain and Dresden Ribbons,—got here the day after Christmas. They are exceptionally good values, 20c, 25c, 30c. for the plaid ribbons, 33c., 38c. for the all silk Dresden ribbons.

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MONDAY will be the last day for the special low prices as advertised before stock-taking.

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Useful Gifts for All the Family. WOMEN'S SLIPPERS, MEN'S SLIPPERS, GIRLS' AND CHILDREN'S SLIPPERS, BOYS' HOCKEY BOOTS, MOOSE HIDE MOCCASINS.

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THE TIDY STORE. Wishes its Friends and Customers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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The Man who keeps coughing is foolish when White Pine Syrup is only 25 cents at

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Fresh Eggs, Butter and Potatoes, At Lowest Prices.

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New Year's Gifts. Art Calendars for 1907 at reduced prices. 1c. Calendars, 2c. Calendars, 3c. Calendars, 4c. Calendars, 5c. Calendars, 6c. Calendars, 7c. Calendars, 8c. Calendars, 9c. Calendars, 10c. Calendars, 11c. Calendars, 12c. Calendars, 13c. Calendars, 14c. Calendars, 15c. Calendars, 16c. Calendars, 17c. Calendars, 18c. Calendars, 19c. Calendars, 20c. Calendars, 21c. Calendars, 22c. Calendars, 23c. Calendars, 24c. Calendars, 25c. Calendars, 26c. Calendars, 27c. Calendars, 28c. Calendars, 29c. Calendars, 30c. Calendars, 31c. Calendars, 32c. Calendars, 33c. Calendars, 34c. Calendars, 35c. Calendars, 36c. Calendars, 37c. Calendars, 38c. Calendars, 39c. Calendars, 40c. Calendars, 41c. Calendars, 42c. Calendars, 43c. Calendars, 44c. Calendars, 45c. Calendars, 46c. Calendars, 47c. Calendars, 48c. Calendars, 49c. Calendars, 50c. Calendars, 51c. Calendars, 52c. Calendars, 53c. Calendars, 54c. Calendars, 55c. Calendars, 56c. Calendars, 57c. Calendars, 58c. Calendars, 59c. Calendars, 60c. Calendars, 61c. Calendars, 62c. Calendars, 63c. Calendars, 64c. Calendars, 65c. Calendars, 66c. Calendars, 67c. Calendars, 68c. Calendars, 69c. Calendars, 70c. Calendars, 71c. Calendars, 72c. Calendars, 73c. Calendars, 74c. Calendars, 75c. Calendars, 76c. Calendars, 77c. Calendars, 78c. Calendars, 79c. Calendars, 80c. Calendars, 81c. Calendars, 82c. Calendars, 83c. Calendars, 84c. Calendars, 85c. Calendars, 86c. Calendars, 87c. Calendars, 88c. Calendars, 89c. Calendars, 90c. Calendars, 91c. Calendars, 92c. Calendars, 93c. Calendars, 94c. Calendars, 95c. Calendars, 96c. Calendars, 97c. Calendars, 98c. Calendars, 99c. Calendars, 100c. Calendars.

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THE WEATHER LOCAL NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Forecast—Eastern States and northern New York: Fairly cloudy tonight, snowing northern portions.

A pocketbook found by A. Y. Patterson on Main street, yesterday, awaits an owner at the North End police station.

S. J. McGow will become leader of St. David's church this morning. Prof. John Lloyd, formerly the church director, has resigned.

A mishap occurred to a milk wagon on Union street this morning. One of the wheels left the vehicle and several cans of milk were dumped on the street.

A New Year service was held in St. David's church this morning. Rev. A. A. Graham presided. The choir rendered several selections.

Contractor Bowman started work on the jail fence yesterday. The fence is to be heightened to the top of the jail windows, as ordered by the municipal council some years ago.

M. R. A. Ltd., tonight announce a sale of flannelette underwear for tomorrow, commencing at 8.30 o'clock. The goods amount to \$99,000, all of them samples. See last page.

Bradford Carrol, the young man who broke considerable property in St. B. Coupe's drug store several days ago and who acted strangely in the police court was taken from jail last night and sent away on the 11.35 train for Halifax, for which city he had a ticket.

Sydney is to have a new bank building. Early next spring the Canadian Bank of Commerce will commence to build there. The building will be of stone, two stories high and will be used exclusively by the bank. Quarters for the staff will be provided on the second floor, and the whole building will be one of the most up-to-date in the maritime provinces.

There will be a united meeting at No. 5 Salvation Army hall, 135 Mill street, on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Father Gervais will be assisted by Capt. Speck and Lieut. Black and the soldiers of No. 1 corps, will unite with No. 5 and conduct a special meeting on the above date. A very interesting meeting is promised to all.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Honora Holmes took place from her husband's residence, St. James' street, at 12.30 today. Rev. Father Gervais read the burial service in St. John the Baptist church. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. The whole building was followed by—Thos. Ritchie, Joseph Doherty, Hugh Doherty, Joseph Baxter, Wm. Kirk and Geo. Boddy.

The funeral of Mrs. Cora Berry took place at 2.30 today from her late residence, Albert street. Rev. D. Hutchinson officiated, and interment was in Fernhill.

PRESENTATION MADE TO SALVAGE CORPS CAPTAIN W. H. White Given a Walking Stick—Other Members of the Department Remembered.

This morning the members of No. 2 Salvage Corps met in their rooms and presented Capt. W. H. White with a handsome walking stick. After the presentation Captain White and the members of No. 2 Company visited Captain R. W. W. Frink and members of No. 1 Company. This visit was the occasion of some presentations. On behalf of No. 1 corps Capt. Frink presented to No. 2 members a nicely framed picture of a cup won by the Salvage Corps in Charlottetown and to Messrs. Hatfield, Baxter and Cunningham, who were members of the corps, each were given handsome badges.

GAVE A GOLD WATCH TO REV. FATHER SCULLY

Last evening a number of the members of The Sacred Heart called at the residence of Rev. Fr. Scully and gave him a great surprise when on behalf of the other members of the congregation presented the reverend gentleman with a handsome silver watch and cord. The watch was suitably engraved and was received by Fr. Scully with a neat speech of thanks and wishes for a happy New Year to the donors.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR. Annual Meeting in Connection With Ludlow Street Baptist Church.

The annual business meeting and election of officers of the Ludlow St. Christian Endeavor Society, took place last evening in the Ludlow street Baptist church. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Campbell. The report of the last business meeting was then read and adopted. The reports of the treasury and secretary for the year were also adopted. Miss Ethel Crossley was elected president and a committee was then appointed and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Fitzpatrick, secretary; Hunter Parsons, assistant secretary; Robert Stewart, treasurer; Miss Mayes, organist; Mrs. Emery, of the Thompson, Miss King, Mr. Campbell, devotional committee; Miss Mayes, Mrs. Bray, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Miss Brittain, Miss McLarn, Hunter Parsons and Robert Stewart lookout and social committee; Miss Jessie Crossley, Miss Mabel Bell, Miss Ida Bray, Arthur Easton, Brooks and Robert Stewart, missionary committee. Miss Thompson was appointed superintendent of the junior society and Miss Jessie Crossley, assistant superintendent.

Miss Mary Shaw, daughter of James Shaw, has returned to Providence where she will resume her studies as a nurse.

A SERIOUS FIRE ON NORTH WHARF

Which Gave the Department Lots of Trouble.

Building Occupied by A. W. Adams and Others Was Gutted—It Was Well Insured

An alarm from Box 6 brought the fire department out at eight o'clock last night. The fire was in the brick building owned by the Dominion Coal Company and occupied by A. W. Adams, ship chandler, at the head of North wharf. When the firemen reached the scene the flames had gained considerable headway. No. 1 chemical was put to work at once and ladders were put up. It was almost impossible to gain admittance to the building as the smoke was very dense. The fire was raging on the first and second floors and a second alarm brought the apparatus from No. 4 station. The southwest corner of the building was almost burned away, despite the fact that the chemical and No. 2 engines were constantly playing on it. By nine o'clock the fire was under control and the all-out signal was sounded at 9.50.

The firemen were able to return home then but at 4.45 o'clock this morning they were again called out by an alarm from the same box. The fire which they had been fighting in the evening had started up again. The entire building was clothed in flames when the apparatus reached the scene, and it was the general opinion of the Dominion Coal Company's coal pocket would be burned. Four streams of water were put on the fire, and they were kept on until eight o'clock this morning. The tops of the walls of the building fell and it was dangerous to be near the burning structure. The firemen showed great courage and several were rescued from the top windows where they had gone, overcome with the smoke. Alexander Winchester, of No. 3 station had one of his fingers badly cut while fighting the flames. He was attended by Druggist Smith.

At 8.30 o'clock the fire had been subdued and all danger of the coal pocket catching had passed. A stream of water was kept on the roof of that building to prevent it igniting.

The heaviest loss through the fire is probably A. W. Adams, who had a large stock of goods in the building. He cannot make an estimate on his loss, but says that it will be covered by insurance which is carried with Cowie & Edwards.

The St. John Mercantile Co., occupied a portion of the building, and a large quantity of their goods was destroyed. This company had \$3,500 insurance, which was carried by the London Assurance Co., of which R. W. W. Frink is agent.

Several pieces of hose and belting belonging to the tug Lord Kitchener, were destroyed. John E. Moore had some furniture stored in the building which was destroyed. It is not known how the fire started but Mr. Adams thinks that a live wire might have been the cause.

District Engineer Blake states that a large beam had been burned away when the department arrived in response to the first alarm. It would indicate that the place had been on fire for some time.

Chief Kerr showed good judgment in issuing orders to the firemen. The fact that the coal pocket was saved, is due to the clever work of the department.

A SUFFERER'S PLEA FOR A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Crippled Girl Asks That Someone Start a Fund to Provide a Home for the Helpless.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 31st, 1906. Dear Santa Claus—I am only a poor little child and cannot work or help myself, and as it is the season for visiting your friends, wouldn't you ask them to build a hospital for children like me. They won't take me in any of the hospitals, and it seems very hard. I have to sit in a chair or lie down all the time, and often wonder if anyone cares for me. The people help every good thing of the world, and I'm sure they would give along, and I'm sure they would give money to build a home for poor lame and helpless children who are shut out of so many good places. If some one will only start it; maybe the people have not thought about it. Just think of us poor lonely children, no company and not many friends. Is there anyone who will try? Hoping you will get my letter I wish you a Happy New Year.

BLANCH.

TONIGHT'S FIGHT

The Gans-Herman Contest Arouses Considerable Interest Here.

There is considerable interest here in the Gans-Herman fight tonight, and a lot of betting has been done on the result.

Gans is the favorite 10 to 4 in the States, while in this city bets have been made at less odds, and a large number have been placed at nearly even money on the number of rounds Gans will take to stop Herman. It will be a great surprise to many sports if Herman should even pull out a draw.

Wm. O'Keefe, on Dalen street, has made arrangements for giving the fight by rounds on his bulletin board this evening.

Charles F. Fraser, of New Glasgow, arrived in the city this morning enroute for Boston on a trip.

Richard Fitzgerald, formerly of this city but now of New Glasgow, is in the city spending a brief vacation with his parents.

BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES SHOW SLIGHT INCREASE

But There is Still Some Carelessness on the Part of Parents in Reporting to the Registrar.

John B. Jones, registrar of vital statistics, has completed the tabulation for the year. His books show that in 1906 there were five hundred and nine marriages recorded as compared with four hundred and seventy three in 1905, an increase of thirty-six. There were in the year nine hundred and seventy-four deaths, as against nine hundred and sixty-eight in the previous year, an increase of six. While it is thus shown that more marriages and births have been recorded during the past year than for 1905, this does not necessarily indicate that all such events have been placed on record. In respect to births parents too generally rely on the attending physicians, and the latter do not always carry out their promises. The result is that numbers of births have not been reported. Marriages, as a rule, are recorded within the legal time limit, though occasionally by reason of neglect on the part of clergymen returns of this nature do not reach the registrar until a later period.

A QUIET HOLIDAY.

New Year's Day in St. John is being very quietly observed. The dismal and disagreeable weather has put an end to much of the intended outdoor enjoyment, but has resulted advantageously to the theatres, both houses being crowded for this afternoon's matinee. Calling will not be indulged in to any great extent, but the firemen will, as usual, make their regular visits to the different stations. Almost all the stores are closed and the day is about as dull and sleepy as any holiday could be.

Teeth Extracted Without Pain, 15c.

We make the best \$5.00 set of teeth in this city.

We make the best \$5.00 gold crown in this city.

Gold filling from \$1.00; Silver and other filling from 50c.; plates repaired from 50c.

Boston Dental Parlor, 527 Main St. Dr. J. D. Maher, Proprietor. Office hours—9 a. m. until 9 p. m. Telephone—Office, 685; Residence, 725.



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WHOLESALE PRICES From \$5.00 to \$12.00

WILCOX BROS. Dock Street and Market Square.

WEDDING GIFTS!

YOU WILL FIND the choicest selection of appropriate Wedding Gifts in Silver, Cut Glass and China at

The Flood's Co., Ltd., 31-33 King St.

Specials for the Christmas Season. Ripe Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Pineapples, Sweet Potatoes, Cape Cod Cranberries, Bananas, White Clover Honey, Choice Florida Oranges and Grape Fruit.

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HOLIDAY PRESENTS. See our unusually beautiful display of Ties, Scarfs, Gloves, Suspenders, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Hats, Caps, Boots, etc. (Prices Lowest.) Fancy Boxes given with best Neckwear and Suspenders.

WETMORE'S, The Young Men's Man 184 MILL STREET

Just Arrived--A Car of Canned Goods, which we will sell at wholesale prices while arriving.

Peas, 7c a can - - - 78c a dozen; Corn, 8c " - - - 85c " ; Tomatoes, 10c a can, - - \$1.20 "

.....AT..... The Two Barkers, Ltd 100 Princess Street and 111 Brussels Street.

Sale of Flannelette Underwear

Starts Wednesday, 8.30.

500 SAMPLE PIECES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN. Also Knitted Vests and Drawers.

A LITTLE SHOPPING FLURRY after the holiday; something to help you carry out your economy resolutions. It's another one of our sample sales. You all know how fruitful they always are in genuine bargains.

Ladies' Nightdresses, 40c., 50c., 65c., 75c., 90c., \$1.00, \$1.25. In Pink and in White Flannelette, with self and embroidery trimmings. Ample size.

Ladies' Underskirts, 25c., 30c., 35c., 50c., 60c., 65c. Ditto as to trimmings; strongly made and highly serviceable.

Ladies' Drawers, 15, 20, 25, 35c. Ditto again in colors, trimmings, etc. Elastic in legs. Generous amount of material.

Corset Covers, 15c, 25, 30, 45c. Warm and snug-fitting, in pink and white. Variety of sizes.

CHILDREN'S NIGHTDRESSES and DRAWERS at even lower prices.

Women and Children's Knitted Undervests and Drawers, 10c. to 75c. Garment.

Including few Ladies' Combinations.

Wednesday in Ladies' Room, SECOND FLOOR.....

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON Limited.

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Another Milestone!

In extending to numerous patrons and friends our cordial best wishes for their physical and financial well-being during the ensuing twelve months, allow us to express our fullest thanks for the liberal manner in which they have patronized us during the year now ended. Every effort has been put forth to merit this consideration, not only in service and modern merchandising methods, but in the goods themselves.

"The best is none too good for St. John people," is the slogan when our personal representatives are scouring European, American and home markets selecting each season's supply, and it was with a determination to carry out this very motto that our first party of buyers left last Friday night on the "Empress of Ireland."

Furthermore, friends, we promise you a year of bigger, brighter and even better shopping opportunities; all our important annual sales are yet ahead of you, not to mention a wealth of charming spring creations. Ships are unloading scores of cases marked "M-R-A, St. John," and clerks are storing them for a grand unfolding soon to come.

Again, Thanks! Again, Best Wishes!